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# ON FISH AND SHELLFISH PRODUCTS

#### INTRODUCTION

The National Marine Fisheries Service - Industry Trade Mission toured Japan, June 2 - 9, interviewing government and industry representatives, inspection groups and importers, and visiting plants and markets. Laws and regulations governing the importation of seafood products have also been investigated.

This report summarizes the findings of this mission focusing on the import inspection procedures, government regulations on food sanitation and additives, government requirements for labeling, and industry quality standards being applied to seafood products in Japan.

#### IMPORT INSPECTION PROCEDURES

The Ministry of Health and Welfare (MHW) is charged with the responsibility for inspecting all the incoming seafood products as well as all other foodstuffs which are earmarked for domestic consumption and export. This inspection is mandatory under the Japanese Food Sanitation Law.

The Japanese Food Sanitation Law provides that no imported foodstuff is allowed to pass through Customs without a written permit issued by the Food Sanitation Inspector of the MHW. Currently, there are 15 Food Sanitation Inspection Offices at major ports of entry, staffed by some 50 inspectors.

Once permitted entry, the goods are treated no differently from domestic products. However, the goods in domestic circulation are being spot-checked by prefectural and municipal health authorities which number about 860 throughout Japan. If found to be substandard after internal circulation, the products are withdrawn from sale or destroyed. This authority is administered by prefectural governors (Table 1).

Immediately upon arrival of a consignment, the importer submits the notification, along with necessary documents, to the MHW through the Food Sanitaion Inspection Office at the port of entry (Table 2). One of these documents is a declaration of the name of synthetic chemical compounds (except for flavoring agent) contained as preservative or coloring agent in the food. The inspector then decides whether or not to conduct sampling inspection. Usually, less than about 10 percent of the incoming food products are subjected to sampling inspection at the port of entry (Table 3). Between 1968 - 78, an average of 7 percent of the imported food products have been sample-tested by the MHW Inspectors, and it appears that the sampling rates applied to seafood products have been lower than the average for all the foodstuffs.

Upon notification to the Sanitation Inspection Office, the products are inspected for freshness, various types of bacteria including intestinal types and salmonella, wholesomeness, food additives, and compliance with labeling requirements. If the inspection is passed, the permission for importation is granted and the consignment is allowed to proceed to Customs. If the

inspection is failed, the Director of Customs is notified of the result, and the consignment detained for either (1) returning to the country of origin, (2) destruction, or (3) reconditioning in a bonded factory upon approval by the MHW. In some cases, the goods which have failed in inspection may be imported on certain conditions, namely that they be barred from human consumption.

The goods which pass the inspection following reconditioning treatment are permitted to the Customs, but those which fail are denied entry. According to Table 3, between 1968 - 78, an average of about 9 percent of those subjected to sample inspection was found violative, and the rate has been considerably lower at about 6 percent during the recent 5-year period between 1974 - 78.

Although the MHW inspection is mandatory, voluntary inspections are performed to check quality standards of the products upon request by the importer. These voluntary inspections are conducted by non-governmental organizations, e.g. the Japan Frozen Foods Inspection Corporation or the Japan Canned Food Inspection Corporation under the authority of the Japanese Agricultural Standards (JAS) Law. The inspection is performed on a fee basis.

#### GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS ON FOOD SANITATION AND ADDITIVES

Pertinent articles of the Japanese Food Sanitation Law governing the sanitation standards and food additives are described in Table 4.

Part of these regulations relating to sanitation standards is common to those in every other country requiring high standards for food sanitation. Namely, the food product being imported must not be rotten, decomposed or immature, and it must not be injurious to human health or unfit for food. The basic content of the food product must not contain any poisonous or detrimental substances, or be suspected of containing any pathogenic microorganisms injurious to human health.

Table 5 lists bacteriological standards for frozen foods being enforced by the MHW. Tests may also be conducted by the Sanitation Inspector for PCB and organic mercury content as well as agricultural chemicals (Table 6 and 7).

Certain types of fish are exempted from this type of inspection, including tuna. The bulk of fish coming into Japan is in frozen form. The MHW regulations require that the temperature during the period of preservation of frozen fish shall be at between 10 and 15 degrees centigrade below zero at all times (during transit as well as at the time of arrival), and that refrigeration records be kept for shipments of frozen products.

The major differences in the Japanese Food Sanitation Law lie in the types and quantities of food preservatives, coloring agents and other additives which it specifies for use. These differing requirements essentially arise from the variations in the Japanese diet. Regulations on food additives also extend to the use of chemical preparation on materials, e.g. chemicals which come in direct contact with the food products and dyes or other substances used in printing food package labels (which might come in contact with food through handling).

Table 8 lists different types of violations reported by the Sanitation Inspectors during 1978. About 22 percent of the violations (206 cases out of the total 943) were related to the use of non-approved food additives.

Paragraph 2 of Article 2 of the Food Sanitation Law defines the "food additive" as follows:

"In the Law the term additive means anything used by means of adding, mixing, permeating or others in or upon food, etc. in the process of manufacturing food, for the purpose of processing or preserving food."

According to this definition, all substances which are added into food at the stage of processing and manufacturing the food are defined as food additives, except those substances such as sugar and salt which are recognized as food or part of food from old times.

Basically, use of synthetic chemical compounds as food additives is limited to those which have been permitted by the Minister of Health and Welfare, whereas, the natural substances such as a coloring matter contained in a vegetable can be used without permission, except when it is harmful to human health. Synthetic chemical compounds are, according to the definition given by paragraph 3 of Article 2 of the Food Sanitation Law, "all substances obtained by causing a chemical reaction other than degradation reaction to elements or compounds through chemical means." Namely, the natural caffeine extracted from tea leaves can be used as a natural food additive, but the synthetic caffeine cannot be used in Japan as a food additive because it is a synthetic chemical compound.

Food additives and coloring agents which are banned in fish and shellfish products by the MHW are listed in Tables 9 and 10, respectively. Food additives permitted to use specified tolerances and/or restrictions are listed in Table 11. Permitted food additives and coloring agents are listed, respectively, in Tables 12 and 13.

#### GOVERNMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR LABELING

Japan's Food Sanitation Law also details the requirements for labeling and packaging of food products. The standards of labeling as provided by the Law are described in Tables 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18. For example, the label must contain the date of manufacture or the date of importation as well as the location of the manufacturing plant or the name and location of the importer.

Labeling regulations are more specific and detailed for certain products than others. For example, raw oysters must be labeled to indicate whether they are to be eaten cooked or raw. For canned goods, the names of the main ingredients must be indicated in the label. It should also be noted that when packaging is changed, a new inspection is needed to establish a precedent for further imports.

Table 18 lists the official class-names which are to be indicated in the label when a certain kind of food additive is used on foods, such as processed or frozen foods in packagings or containers. The class-names denote functions of food additives, and the following class-names are frequently used:

Preservative, bactericide, antioxidant, bleaching agent, bodying agent (bulking agent), flavoring agent, insecticide, color fixative, coloring agent, flavor enhancer, acidifier, sweetener, emulsifier, defoaming agent, stabilizer, solvent, leavening agent, film-former, nutrient, extraction solvent, texturizer, etc.

It should be noted that the Japanese classifications sometimes differ from those of other countries. For example, such nutrients as vitamins and amino acids which are originally contained in food, are regarded as additives when they are applied to food to enrich it.

#### INDUSTRY QUALITY STANDARDS

In addition to the mandatory inspection enforced by the Ministry of Health and Welfare on imported fish and shellfish products, there are voluntary inspections being practiced by industry groups. The industry inspection is performed upon request by the importer or the shipper.

Whereas, the government inspection is primarily concerned over the wholesomeness and health aspects of the products, the industry standards generally focus on quality, but frequently with concurrent requirements for wholesomeness and health standards.

Although the industry standards are essentially voluntary, they may bear a de facto mandatory effect on certain products, as some industry associations expect their members to comply with respective quality grading systems. For instance, the Japan Marine Products Importers Association, a nationwide organization whose members account for approximately 85% of all the marine products imported into Japan, has set forth quality grading standards for shrimp, squid and other species which will be marked on the products during domestic distribution. Also, to increase consumer acceptance in Japan, the purchaser may wish to obtain a JAS mark on the products being imported. A JAS mark is issued as the government assurance of acceptable minimum quality in accordance to the standards prescribed by the Japanese Agricultural Standards Law. The function of performing the inspection on seafood products being offered for importation into Japan is performed by the Japan Frozen Foods Inspection Corporation and the Japan Canned Foods Inspection Corporation, both for the industry and JAS standards.

Industry standards for fish and shellfish products are presented in Tables 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25.

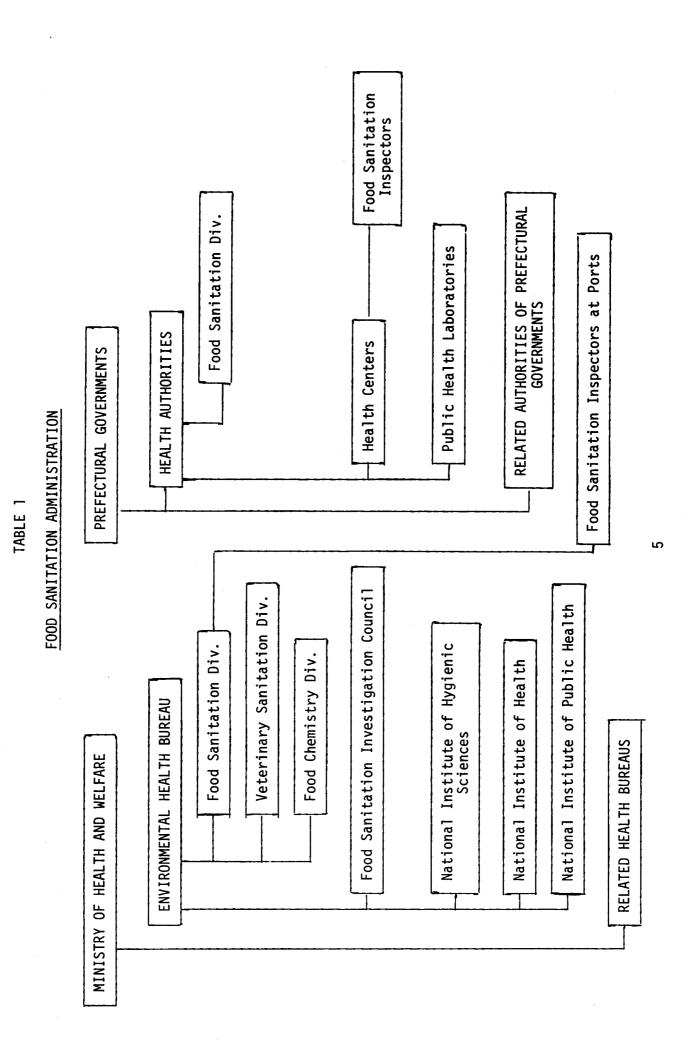


TABLE 2

IMPORTED FOOD INSPECTION PROCEDURE

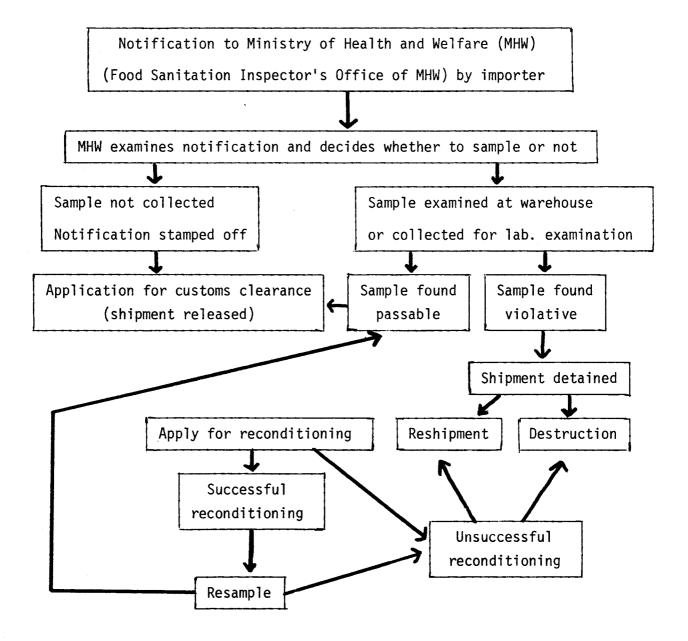


TABLE 3

FOOD SANITATION INSPECTION ON IMPORTED FOODS, 1968-78

iscal	Cases of import	Ratio to previous vear	Amount of imported foods (metric ton)	Cases of examination	Cases of violation	Examination vs import (%)	Violation vs examination (%)
1968	134,280	105.6	13,051,550	7,435	928	5.5	12.5
1969	153,100	114.0	14,262,564	9,379	1,068	6.1	11.3
1970	175,380	114.6	16,072,095	11,507	1,841	9.9	16.0
1971	188,587	107.5	16,538,030	12,278	1,138	6.5	9.3
1972	211,191	112.0	19,227,141	15,556	1,529	7.4	8.6
1973	241,160	114.2	23,332,729	14,926	1,647	6.2	11.0
1974	202,007	83.8	20,530,793	19,332	1,339	9.6	6.9
1975	246,507	122.0	20,774,969	21,461	1,634	8.7	7.6
1976	284,846	115.6	21,552,436	20,616	1,182	7.2	5.7
1977	311,957	109.5	23,300,079	22,079	1,205	7.1	5.5
1978	335,085	107.4	21,991,731	18,498	1,163	5.5	6.3

### FOOD SANITATION LAW

### Article 4 Foods or food additives prohibited to sell.

The following food or additives shall neither be sold (including all cases other than sale to be delivered to an unspecific or many persons; hereinafter the same), nor be collected, manufactured, imported, processed, used, prepared, stored or displayed for sale:

- That which is rotten, decomposed or immature; however, this shall not apply to such articles generally deemed neither injurious to human health nor unfit for food;
- That which has contained or has been contaminated with a poisonous or detrimental substance, or that which is suspicious of such content and contamination; however, this shall not apply in cases where the Minister of Health and Welfare has determined to be not injurious to human health;
- 3. That which is or is suspected to be contaminated with pathogenic microorganisms, and may injure human health;
- 4. That which may injure human health due to causes, such as uncleanliness, mixing or adding foreign substances, and others.

# Article 5 Prohibition of sale, etc. of meats, etc. of animals suffering diseases

- 1. Meat, bone, milk, viscera and blood of animals (including cattle, horses, pigs, sheep, goats, and other animals as prescribed by the Order; hereinafter the same) suffering from or being suspected to be suffering from diseases as prescribed by the Ministerial Ordinance, or dead shall not be sold as food, or collected, processed, used, prepared, stored or displayed for sale as food. However, this shall not apply to such meat, bone, and viscera of dead animals as recognized by the official to be neither injurious to human health nor unfit for food.
- 2. Animals' meat, viscera and products shall not be imported for sale as food unless they are attached a certificate, or the copy thereof, issued by a government of the exporting country, carrying a description to the effect that the meat or viscera is neither of animals suffering from, or suspected to be suffering from the diseases as prescribed by the Ministerial Ordinance under the preceding paragraph, nor of dead animals, as well as description on the date of butchery and others as prescribed by the Ministerial Ordinance.

#### TABLE 4 (cont'd)

#### FOOD SANITATION LAW

## Article 6 Restriction on sale, etc. of synthetic chemical compounds, etc.

Except that the Minister of Health and Welfare has determined to be not harmful to human health after obtaining comments from the Food Sanitation Investigation Council, synthetic chemical compounds intended for use as food additives as well as products and foods containing such synthetic chemical compounds shall not be sold, nor be manufactured, imported, processed, used, stored or displayed for sale.

### Article 7 Establishment of standards and criteria of food or additives.

- The Minister of Health and Welfare shall, from the viewpoint of public sanitation, be authorized to set the standards concerning the methods of manufacturing, processing, using, preparing and preserving food or additives for sale or to set the criteria concerning the components of food or additives for sale.
- 2. When the standards or the criteria have been established in accordance with the provision of the preceding paragraph, it shall be forbidden to manufacture, process, use, prepare or preserve food or additives by methods contrary to such standards, or to manufacture, import, process, use, prepare, preserve or sell food or additives contrary to such criteria.

# Article 9 Prohibition for sale, etc. of poisonous or stained apparatus or container-package.

Apparatus or container-package apt to injure human health due to containing or being stained with poisonous or detrimental materials, or apparatus or container-package apt to injure human health due to being in contact with food or additives and thus causing harmful influence thereto, shall neither be sold, nor be manufactured or imported for sale, nor be used for business.

# Article 10 Establishment of standards and criteria of apparatus or container-package.

 The Minister of Health and Welfare shall, from the viewpoint of public sanitation, be authorized to set the criteria concerning apparatus or container-package intended for sale or used for business, or materials thereof, or to set the standards concerning the method of manufacture thereof.

#### TABLE 4 (cont'd)

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2. When the criteria or standards have been established in accordance with the provision of the preceding paragraph, it shall be forbidden to sell, or manufacture or import for sale, or to use for business any apparatus or container-package contrary to the criteria, or to use materials contrary to the criteria, or to manufacture apparatus or container-package by methods contrary to the standards.

# Article 16 Notification on import of food, additives, apparatus or container-package.

A person who intends to import food, additives, apparatus or container-package for sale or to be used for business shall, as prescribed by the Ministry of Health and Welfare Ordinance, notify to the Minister of Health and Welfare case by case.

#### BACTERIOLOGICAL STANDARDS FOR FROZEN FOODS\*

\*The term "Frozen Foods" applies only to frozen manufactured or processed foods or frozen steaked fish or shucked shellfish (excluding raw oyster), which are being kept in container-packages.

- 1. Frozen foods for raw serving:
  - a. Standard plate counts Less than hundred thousand per 1 gram of sample  $(1.0 \times 10^5/g)$
  - b. Coliform organismsNegative per 0.01 gram of sample
  - c. Salmonella Negative per 1 gram of sample
  - d. Staphylococcus aureus Negative per 0.01 gram of sample
- 2. Frozen foods to be cooked before serving (cooked before freezing):
  - a. Standard plate counts Less than hundred thousand per 1 gram of sample  $(1.0 \times 10^5/g)$
  - b. Coliform organismsNegative per 0.01 gram of sample
  - c. Salmonella Negative per 1 gram of sample
  - d. Staphylococcus aureus Negative per 0.01 gram of sample
- 3. Frozen foods to be cooked before serving (not cooked before freezing):
  - a. Standard plate counts Less than 3 million per 1 gram of sample  $(3.0 \times 10^6/g)$
  - b. Escherichia coli .Negative per 0.01 gram of sample
  - c. Salmonella Negative per 1 gram of sample
  - d. Staphylococcus aureus Negative per 0.01 gram of sample
  - e. Volatile basic nitrogen 20 mg per 100 grams of sample

#### TABLE 5 (cont'd)

#### BACTERIOLOGICAL STANDARDS FOR FROZEN FOODS\*

- 4. Frozen fish and shellfish for raw serving:
  - a. Standard plate counts Less than hundred thousand per 1 gram of sample  $(1.0 \times 10^5/q)$
  - b. Coliform organisms
    Negative per 0.01 gram of sample
  - c. Vibrio Parahaemolyticus Negative per 0.01 gram of sample
  - d. Volatile basic nitrogen20 mg per 100 grams of sample
- 5. Frozen, cooked octopus:
  - a. Standard plate counts Less than hundred thousand per 1 gram of sample  $(1.0 \times 10^5/g)$
  - b. Coliform organismsNegative per 0.01 gram of sample
- 6. Frozen oyster for raw serving;
  - a. Standard plate counts Less than fifty thousand per 1 gram of sample  $(5.0 \times 10^4/q)$
  - b. Escherichia coli Less than 230 M.P.N. per 100 grams
- 7. Frozen Fish and shellfish for processing:
  - a. Standard plate counts Less than five million per 1 gram of sample  $(5.0 \times 10^6/g)$
  - b. Coliform organismsNegative per 0.01 gram of sample
  - c. Vibrio Parahaemolyticus Negative per 0.01 gram of sample

TABLE 6

TEMPORARY TOLERANCES FOR POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYLS (PCB's)

	Parts Per Million (PPM)
Fish & Shellfish, distant waters (edible portion)	0.5
Fish & Shellfish, inland waters (edible portion)	3.0
Milk	0.1
Manufactured dairy products	1.0
Powdered milk for infant consumption	0.2
Meats	0.5
Eggs	0.2
Food-packaging Material	5.0

TABLE 7

TEMPORARY TOLERANCES FOR MERCURY IN FISH\*

Total Mercury	0.4 ppm
Methyl Mercury	0.3 ppm

<sup>\*</sup> excluding tuna, billfish, rockfish, alfonsin, black cod, red tanner crab, shark.

TABLE 8

VIOLATIONS OF FOOD SANITATION LAW, 1978

Articles related to violations	Cases of violation	%	Details
Article 4	254	27	Wheat, beans or other fresh foods rotten or decomposed by accidents. Groundnuts contaminated with Aflatoxin B. Processed food contained with foreign substances.
Article 5	19	2	Lack or defect of Health Certificates for meat and meat products.
Article 6	206	22	Addition of non-approved food additives to foods.
Article 7	355	38	Food processed under illegal conditions and methods, or foods containing illegal additives.
Article 9	0	0	
Article 10	109	11	Apparatus not fit to criteria or standard.

#### FOOD ADDITIVES BANNED IN FISH AND SHELLFISH PRODUCTS

This list indicates food additives which are possibly used in European countries and the United States but banned in fish and shellfish products in Japan.

Dichloro-difluoro-methane Acrylamide Adipic Acid Dilauryl Thiodipropionate Aluminum Sodium Sulfate Dioctyl Sodium Sulfosuccinate Disodium EDTA (Disodium Aluminum Stearate Ethylene diamine tetraacetate) Aluminum Sulfate Ammonium Alginate Dodecyl Gallate EDTA Disodium Salt Ammonium Saccharin Ammonium Stearate Ethoxylated Mono and Diglycerides Arginine Monohydrochloride Ethoxyquin Ascorbyl Diacetate Ethyl p-Chlorobenzoate Ascorbyl Palmitate Ethyl p-Hydroxybenzoate (Ethylparaben) Boric Acid Ethyl-cellulose Brominated Vegetable Oil Butyl p-Chlorobenzoate Ethylene Dichloride Butyl p-Hydroxybenzoate Ferric Phosphate Butylated Hydroxymethylphenol Ferrous Gluconate Formic Acid Calcium Acetate Galactosyl Glyceride Calcium Alginate Glutamic Acid Hydrochloride Calcium Ascorbate Calcium Benzoate Glycerin Acetic Acid Ester Calcium Bromate Glycerol Ester of Acetic Acid Glycerol Ester of Partially Calcium Disodium EDTA (Calcium Disodium Ethylenediamine-Dimerized Rosin tetraacetate) Glycerol Ester of Partially Hydrogenated Wood Rosin Calcium Formate Glycerol Ester of Polymerized Rosin Calcium Malate Calcium Propionate Glycerol Ester of Tall Oil Rosin Calcium Pyrophosphate Glycerol Ester of Wood Rosin Calcium Saccharin Gum Guaiac Calcium Silicate Heptyl p-Hydroxybenzoate (Heptylparaben) Calcium Silicoaluminate Hexamethylenetetramine Calcium Sodium Silicoaluminate p-Hydroxybenzoic Acid Ester p-Hydroxybenzylacetone Calcium Sorbate Hydroxylated Lecithin Calcium Stearate Hydroxypropyl-cellulose Calcium Stearoyl-lactylate Calcium Tartrate Hydroxypropyl-methyl-cellulose Iron Oxides Choline Bitartrate Choline Chloride Lactated Mono-Diglycerides Choline Phosphate Lactylated Fatty Acid Ester of Glycerol and Propylene Glycol p-Chlorobenzoic Acid Ester Copper Gluconate Lactylic Esters of Fatty Acids Cysteine Monohydrochloride Leucine Monohydrochloride Magnesium Hydroxide Dehydroacetic Acid Dexpanthenol Magnesium Oxide Diacetyl Tartaric Acid Esters of Magnesium Phosphate, Dibasic Magnesium Phosphate, Tribasic Mono and Diglycerides

#### TABLE 9 (cont'd)

#### FOOD ADDITIVES BANNED IN FISH AND SHELLFISH PRODUCTS

Magnesium Silicate Magnesium Stearate

Manganese Mannitol

Methyl Alcohol

Methyl p-Chlorobenzoate Methyl p-Hydroxybenzoate

(Methylparaben)
Methyl-ethyl-cellulose
Methylene Chloride
Mineral Oil, White
Monoammonium Glutamate
Niacinamide Ascorbate

Octyl Gallate Oxystearin Panthenol

Polyethylene Glycols (PEG)

Polyglycerol Esters of Fatty Acids Polyoxyethylene Sorbitan Fatty

Acid Ester Polysorbate

Polyvinylpyrrolidone (PVP)

Potassium Acetate
Potassium Alginate
Potassium Benzoate
Potassium Bicarbonate
Potassium Chloride
Potassium Citrate
Potassium Formate
Potassium Glutamate

Potassium Glycerophosphate

Potassium Guanylate
Potassium Hydroxide
Potassium Inosinate
Potassium Lactate
Potassium Malate
Potassium Nitrate
Potassium Propionate
Potassium Saccharin
Potassium Stearate
Potassium Sulfate
Potassium Sulfite
Potassium Tartrate
Propionic Acid

Propyl p-Chlorobenzoate

Propyl Gallate

Propyl p-Hydroxybenzoate

(Propylparaben)

Propylene Glycol Monostearate

Saccharin Silica Gel Soda Alum

Sodium Acetoacetate

Sodium Aluminum Phosphate

Sodium Bisulfate Sodium Borate

Sodium Dehydroacetate Sodium Diacetate

Sodium Ferric Pyrophosphate

Sodium Ferrocyanide Sodium Formate Sodium Gluconate Sodium Lauryl Sulfate

Sodium Nitrate

Sodium Potassium Tartrate

Sodium Propionate Sodium Silicoaluminate Sodium Sorbate

Sodium Stearate

Sodium Stearoyl-lactylate Sodium Stearyl Fumarate Sodium Thiosulfate

Stannous Chloride

Stearyl Monoglyceridyl Citrate Succinylated Monoglycerides

Tetracycline

Thidipropionic Acid Tocopherol Acetate Tocopherol Ester Tocopheryl Acetate

Tocopheryl Acid Succinate

Triacetin

Trichloroethylene Triethyl Citrate Zinc Sulfate

#### COLORING AGENTS BANNED IN FISH AND SHELLFISH PRODUCTS

This list indicates important coloring agents which are banned in fish and shellfish products in Japan.

Acid Violet 6B Magenta Acid Yellow Methyl Violet B Acilan Brilliant Blue FFR Naphthol Green B Naphthol Yellow S Acilan Fast Green 10G Oil Orange SS Allura Red B-Apo-8'-carotenal 0il Orange XO B-Apo-8'-carotenoic Acid Ethyl Ester Oil Red XO Oil Yellow 3G Auramine Oil Yellow AB Azorubine Oil Yellow OB Benzyl Violet 4B Black 7984 Orange B Black PN Orange G Blue VRS Orange GGN Brilliant Black PN Orange I Orange RN Brilliant Crocein Orcein Brilliant Green Patent Blue V Brilliant Indocyanin 6B Phthalocyanine Blue Brown FK Butter Yellow Phthalocyanine Green Carmoisine Ponceau 3R Chlorophyll Copper Complex Ponceau 4R See "New Coccine" Chlorophyllin Copper Complex Ponceau 6R Sodium (or Potassium) Salt Ponceau SX Chocolate Brown FB Quinoline Yellow Red 6B Chocolate Brown HT Red FB Chrysoidine Red 2G Chrysoine Scarlet GN Citrus Red 2 Sudan I Cobalt Blue Sudan Blue II Eosine Sudan Red Fast Red E Titanium Dioxide Fast Yellow AB **Ultramarine** FD & C Red No. 4 Victoria Blue B FD & C Red No. 40 FD & C Violet No. 1 Victoria Blue R Violamine R Food Red 17 Violet BNP Fuchsin Wool Green BS Fuchsin Acid Yellow 2G Green S Guinea Green B Indathrene Blue RS Indigo Iron Oxides Light Green SF Yellowish

Litholrubin BK

TABLE 11

FOOD ADDITIVES WITH STATED TOLERANCES AND/OR RESTRICTIONS

Product	Tolerance	Specific Use or Restrictions
Butyl-hydroxy-anisol (BHA)	0.2g/kg 0.2g/kg 1 g/kg	Dried fish and shellfish Salted fish and shellfish Frozen fish and shellfish
Calcium Carbonate Calcium Chloride Calcium Citrate Calcium Dihydrogen Phosphate Calcium Glycerophosphate Calcium Gluconate Calcium Hydroxide Calcium Lactate Calcium Pantothenate Calcium Phosphate, Monobasic Calcium Phosphate, Dibasic Calcium Phosphate, Tribasic	dipping solution 1% as Ca	
Calcium Sulfate Calcium Caroxymethylcellulose	1% as Ca 2%	
* Hydrogen Peroxide	0.1g/kg	Fish cake (kamaboko, chikuwa)
Methylcellulose	0.03g/kg 2%	Other foods
Potassium Bromate Potassium Metabisulfite	0.27g/kg 0.1g as SO <sub>2</sub> /kg of shelled shrimp	Fish paste Shrimp
Potassium Sorbate	0.03g as SO <sub>2</sub> /kg 0.5g/kg	Other foods "Suzuke" (pickled in vinegar)
	l g/kg l g/kg	Dried fish and shellfish ""Tsukudani" (preserved fish boiled down in soy
	1 g/kg	sauce) "Kasuzuke" (pickled in "sake" lees)
	l g/kg	"Kojizuke" (preserved in "koji" rice)
	l g/kg	"Shoyuzuke" (pickled in soy sauce)
	l g/kg	"Misozuke" (pickled in soy bean paste)
	1.5g/kg	Smoked cuttlefish and octopus
	2 g/kg	Fish paste and sea urchin products
Propylene Glycol Alginate Silicon Resin Sodium Benzoate Sodium Bisulfite	1% 0.05g/kg 2.5g/kg Same as potassium Me	Only as antifoaming agent Caviar etabisulfite

## TABLE 11 (cont'd)

## FOOD ADDITIVES WITH STATED TOLERANCES AND/OR RESTRICTIONS

Product	Tolerance	Specific Use or Restrictions
Sodium Carboxymethylcellulose Sodium Carboxymethylstarch Sodium Chondroitin Sulfate Sodium Hyposulfite Sodium Nitrite  Sodium Polyacrylate Sodium Starch Phosphate Sodium Sulfite Sorbic Acid Succharin Sodium	2% 2% 3 g/kg Same as Potassium Me 0.05g as NO <sub>2</sub> /kg 0.005g as NO <sub>2</sub> /kg 0.2% 2% Same as Potassium Me Same as Potassium So 0.2g/kg 0.3g/kg 0.5g/kg 1.2g/kg 1.2g/kg 1.2g/kg 2 g/kg 2 g/kg 1.2g/kg	Fish sausage and fish ham Salmon roe
Sulfur Dioxide	Same as Potassium Me	etabisulfite

<sup>\*</sup> According to a decree by the Ministry of Health and Welfare on February 20, 1980, hydrogen peroxide can not be used as a food additive after October 1, 1980.

#### PERMITTED FOOD ADDITIVES

This list indicates food additives which are allowed in fish and shellfish in Japan.

Acetic Acid DL-Alanine A1 um Ammonia Ammonium Alum Ammonium Bicarbonate Ammonium Carbonate Ammonium Chloride Ammonium Phosphate, Monobasic Ammonium Phosphate, Bibasic Ammonium Sulfate Annatto (water soluble) L-Arginine L-Glutamate L-Ascorbic Acid (Vitamin C) L-Ascorbyl Stearates Calciferol (Vitamin D<sub>2</sub>) Calcium 5'-Ribonucleotide Carbon Dioxide B-Carotene Casein Cholecalciferol (Vitamin D<sub>3</sub>) Citric Acid Dibenzoylthiamine Dibenzoylthiamine Hydrochloride Disodium Succinate Erythorbic Acid Ferric Ammonium Citrate Ferric Chloride Ferric Citrate Ferric Pyrophosphate Ferrous Lactate Ferrous Pyrophosphate Ferrous Sulfate Folic Acid Fumaric Acid Gluconic Acid Glucono-delta-lactone L-Glutamic Acid Glycerine Glycerine Fatty Acid Ester Glycine L-Histidine Monohydrochloride Hypochloric Acid Iron and Sodium Succinate Citrate L-Isoleucine Lactic Acid L-Lysine L-Aspartate L-Lysine L-Glutamate

L-Lysine Monohydrochloride Magnesium Carbonate Magnesium Chloride Magnesium Sulfate dl-Malic Acid Methionine Methyl-hesperidin Monosodium L-Asparate Monosodium Fumarate Monosodium Succinate Nicotinamide Nicotinic Acid (Niacine) L-Phenylalanine Phosphoric Acid Potassium Bitartrate Potassium Carbonate Potassium Metaphosphate Potassium Norbixate Potassium Phosphate, Monobasic Potassium Phosphate, Dibasic Potassium Polyphosphate Potassium Pyrophosphate Propylene Glycol Propylene Glycol Fatty Acid Ester Pyridoxine Hydrochloride (Vitamin B<sub>6</sub>) Riboflavin (Vitamin B<sub>2</sub>) Riboflavin Phosphate Sodium Riboflavin Tetrabutylate Sodium Acetate Sodium Acid Pyrophosphate Sodium Alginate Sodium L-Ascorbate Sodium Carbonate Sodium Caseinate Sodium Citrate Sodium 5'-Cytidilate Sodium Erythorbate Sodium L-Glutamate Sodium 5'-Guanylate Sodium Hydrogen Carbonate (Sodium Bicarbonate) Sodium Hypochloride Sodium 5'-Inosinate Sodium Iron Chlorophyllin Sodium Lactate Sodium dl-Malate Sodium Metaphosphate Sodium Norbixate

### TABLE 12 (cont'd)

#### PERMITTED FOOD ADDITIVES

Sodium Pantothenate
Sodium Phosphate, Monobasic
Sodium Phosphate, Dibasic
Sodium Polyphosphate
Sodium Pyrophosphate
Sodium 5'-Ribonucleotide
Sodium Sulfate
Sodium Tartrate
Sodium 5'-Uridilate
Sorbitan Fatty Acid Ester
D-Sorbital
Soybean Phospholipids
(Soybean Lecithin)

Succinic Acid

Sucrose Fatty Acid Ester
Tartaric Acid
L-Theanine
Thiamine Hydrochloride
Thiamine Mononitrate
Tripotassium Phosphate
Trisodium Phosphate
dl-X-Tocopherol (Vitamin E)
Threonine
Tryptophan
L-Valine
Vitamin A<sub>1</sub>
Vitamin A<sub>1</sub>
Fatty Acid Ester
D-Xylose

#### COLORING AGENTS PERMITTED IN FISH AND SHELLFISH PRODUCTS IN JAPAN

This list indicates important coloring agents which can be used in fish and shellfish products in Japan.

Acid Red\* Alkanet (Natural) Alkannin (Natural) Amaranth\* Annatto (Natural) Anthocyan (Natural) Anthocyanin (Natural) Beet Red (Natural) Betanin (Natural) Bixine (Natural) Brilliant Blue FCF\* Canthaxanthine (Natural) Capsanthin (Natural) Capsorubin (Natural) Caramel (Natural) Carbon Black (Natural) Carminic Acid (Natural) Carotene (Alpha Beta Gamma) (Natural) Carthamus (Natural) Charcoal (Natural) Chlorophyll (Natural) Cochineal (Natural) Crocetin (Natural)

Crocin (Natural) Cryptoxanthin (Natural) Curcumine (Natural) Enocyanine (Natural) Erythrosine\* Fast Green FCF\* Flavoxanthin (Natural) Indigo Carmine (Indigotine)\* Lactoflavin New Coccine\* Norbixine (Natural) Persian Berry (Natural) Phloxine\* Redwood (Natural) Riboflavin (Vitamin B<sub>2</sub>) Rose Bengale\* Saffron (Natural) Sodium Iron Chlorophyllin Sunset Yellow FCF Tartrazine Turmeric (Natural) Xanthophylls (Natural) Yellow Wood (Natural)

Note: \*Not permitted in soaked fish, fresh fish and shellfish. Can be used in other fish and shellfish products.

(Natural) means that the food additive can be used because it is a natural substance.

#### STANDARD FOR LABELING

# Article 5 The standard for labeling of foods or additives specified in Table 14 shall be fixed as follows:

- I. The following items shall be stated so as to be easily seen on a container-package (in case that container-package is further packaged for retail sale this outer retail package is deemed as container-package; same reference is applied mutatis mutandis in paragraph 4 of this Article) without opening the containerpackage.
  - a. Name (in case of a chemically synthesized substance used as additive (except that described in Table 17), the name shall be represented by the name specified in Table 15.
  - b. Date of manufacture or processing (in case of imported goods and when the date of manufacture or processing is not known, the date of manufacture or processing may be substituted by the date of import accompanied by the statement that it is a date of import; hereinafter same reference is applied mutatis mutandis).
  - c. Location of manufacturing or processing plant (in case of imported goods, location of place of business of importer; hereinafter same reference is applied mutatis mutandis) and name (in case of juridicial person, the name of juridicial person) of manufacturer or processor (in case of imported goods, name of importer).
  - d. In case of a preparation which contains chemically synthesized substances (except that used for the purpose of flavoring the components and weight percentage of components (in case a component is a derivative of Vitamin A, this shall be represented by the weight percentage as Vitamin A).
  - e. In case of a food which contains an additive(s) specified in Table 18, the statement that the food contains such additive(s). However, instead of declaring individual additive(s), class name specified in same appendix may be declared.
  - f. In case of food or additive of which standard of method of using or preserving is fixed in accordance with Article 7, Paragraph 1 of the Law, the method of using or preserving.
  - g. In case of additives specified in Item 11 of Table 16 the words "Food Additive"
  - h. In case of a synthetic chemical derivative of Vitamin A, the weight percentage as Vitamin A.

#### TABLE 14 (cont'd)

### STANDARD FOR LABELING

- i. In case of a canned food, main ingredients used in it.
- j. In case of meat products, whale meat products, fish sausage, fish ham or fish paste which are packed in hermetically sealed container (except canned or bottled such foods) and sterilized at 120°C for four minutes or by method which is effective equally as treatment described above, the method of sterilization.
- k. In case of fish sausage, fish ham or special packed fish paste of which pH (a part of product is taken and cut in small pieces and 10 times volume purified water is added and pH is measured) is less than 5.5 or water activity is less than 0.94, declaration of value of pH or water activity.
- 1. In case of foods which were manufactured or processed and frozen (except meat products, whale meat products, fish paste and boiled octopus), declaration if cooking is necessary or not before eating.
- m. In case of frozen foods which need to be cooked before eating (foods which were manufactured or processed and frozen and need to be cooked before eating), the declaration that the foods were cooked immediately before frozen or not.
- n. In case of frozen steaked fish or shucked shellfish (excluding raw oyster) and raw oyster, the purpose of use whether it is for consumption in raw (without cooking) condition or not.
- o. In case of ionized irradiated foods, to the effect that the foods were irradiated by radioactivity.
- p. In case of foods specified in Item 9 of Table 16, to the effect that foods are thermally sterilized under pressure after they are packed in airtight container and sealed hermetically.
- The declaration of items shall be made correctly in vernacular by the terms legible and understandable for general purchasers or consumers.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Item 1 of preceding paragraph, the declaration of the date of manufacture may be substituted by the below stated marks constituted by combination of Arabic figures and Roman alphabet for the labeling of foods specified in Item 1 of Table 16, and canned, bottled, casked or jarred foods among the foods specified in Item 4, Item 5, or Item 9 and 10 of Table 16, and the declaration of date of manufacture may be omitted in case of foods specified in Item 2 of Table 16.

#### TABLE 14 (cont'd)

#### STANDARD FOR LABELING

glass-bottled (except paper-capped) or polyethylene container-package foods among foods specified in Item 3 of Table 16, foods specified item 10-b. of Table 16 (except canned, bottled, casked or jarred foods) or additives specified in Item 11 of Table 16.

- a. First mark shall be expressed by the last number of the year of Christian Era.
- b. Second mark shall be expressed by Arabic figures of month of manufacture (however, October shall be expressed by 0, November shall be expressed by Y and December shall be expressed by Z).
- c. Third and fourth characters shall be expressed by Arabic figure of the date of manufacture (in case the date is composed of one character, third character shall be stated as 0).

Notwithstanding the provisions of Item 1 of Paragraph 1, the declaration of location of manufacturing plant and the name of manufacturer may be substituted by the declaration of (a) combination of address and name (in case of a juridical person, the name of juridical person) of manufacture and the specific marks (limited only to the Arabic figure, Roman alphabet, Hiragana and Katakana and the combination of these; hereinafter, the term "Mark" is referred as such in this paragraph) of manufacturing plant which has been reported by the manufacturer to the Minister of Health and Welfare through the Governor of Prefecture where the manufacturing plant is located or (b) combination of address and name (in case of a juridical person, the name of juridical person) of distributor followed by the description to that effect and the specific mark of manufacturing plant which has been jointly reported by the manufacturer and distributor to the Minister of Health and Welfare through the Governor of Prefecture where the manufacturing plant is located.

Notwithstanding the requirement of Item 1 of Paragraph 1, labeling may be omitted in case of foods (among foods specified in Item 10-b of Table 16) designated by the Minister of Health and Welfare as their container-packages are too small to clearly carry the items specified in Paragraph 1.

## OFFICIAL NAMES OF FOOD ADDITIVES TO BE USED FOR LABELING

Sodium Chlorite Sodium Nitrite L-Ascorbic acid (Vitamin C) L-Ascorbyl stearate (Vitamin C stearate) Sodium L-ascorbate Monosodium L-aspartate Methyl acetyl ricinolate Ethyl acetoacetate Acetophenone Acetone Anisaldehyde a-Amyl cinnamic aldehyde DL-Alanine L-Arginine L-glutamate Sodium bisulfite Sodium sulfite, anhydrous Sodium alginate	Hydrochloric Acid Eugenol Oxyethylene higher aliphatic alcohol Octyl aldehyde ortho-Phenylphenol and Sodium ortho- phenylphenate Sodium oleate Hydrogen peroxide Benzoil peroxide Sodium caseinate Ethyl caprylate Ethyl caprylate Ethyl caprate Caproic acid Allyl caproate Ethyl caproate Ethyl caproate Calciferol (Vitamin D2) B-Carotene Isoamyl formate
Sodium alginate Propylene glycol alginate	Isoamyl formate Geranyl formate
Methyl anthranilate	Citronellyl formate
Benzoic acid	Sodium 5'-guanylate
Sodium benzoate	Citric acid
Ammonia	Citric acid, anhydrous
Ammonia alum	Calcium citrate
Ion exchange resin	Ferric citrate
Isoeugenol	Ferric ammonium citrate
Isoamyl isovalerate	Sodium citrate
Ethyl isovalerate	Glycine
Isothiocyanates (except those	Glycerine
which are generally deemed	Glycerin fatty acid ester
highly toxic)	Calcium glycerophosphate
Allylisothiocyanate	Disodium glycyrrhizinate
L-Isoleucine	Trisodium glycyrrhizinate
Indol and its derivatives	Glucono-o-lactone
Sodium 5-inosinate	Gluconic acid
Sodium 5'-uridylate	Calcium gluconate
Undecalactone	L-Glutamic acid
Ester gum	Monosodium_L-glutamate
Esters	Cinnamyl alcohol
Ethyl vanillin	Cinnamic aldehyde
Ethers	Cinnamic acid
Ethyl oenanthate	Ethyl cinnamate
Erythorbic acid	Methyl cinnamate
Sodium erythorbate	Ketones
Ammonium chloride	Geraniol
Calcium chloride	Calcium hypochlorite
Ferric chloride	Succinic acid
Magnesium chloride	Potassium debitartrate
Iron and sodium succinato citrate Monsodium succinate	Potassium dl-bitartrate Sodium d-tartrate
היטווסטע דעווו סעכל דווע נפ	Soutum u-tartrate

### TABLE 15 (cont'd)

### OFFICIAL NAMES OF FOOD ADDITIVES TO BE USED FOR LABELING

Magnesium carbonate Ferrous pyrophosphate Thiamine hydrochloride Ferric pyrophosphate Thiamine mononitrate Sodium pyrophosphate Thiamine dicetylsulfate Sodium pyrophosphate, anhydrous L-Phenylalanine Thiamine thiocyanate Thiamine naphthalene-1, Isoamyl phenylacetate 5-disulfonate Isobutyl phenylacetate Thiamine naphthalene-2. Ethyl phenylacetate 6-disulfonate Phenolethers (except those which are Thiamine phenolphthalinate generally deemed highly toxic) Phenols (except those which are Thiamine dilaurylsulfate Thioalcohols (except those which generally deemed highly toxic) are generally deemed highly Butyl hydroxy anisol toxic) Fumaric acid Monosodium fumarate Thioethers (except those which Furfral and its derivatives (except are generally deemed highly those which are generally deemed toxic) Sodium thiosulfate highly toxic) L-Theanine Isoamyl propionate Ethyl propionate Decvl alcohol Decyl aldehyde Calcium propionate Sodium iron chlorophyllin Sodium propionate Dehydroacetic acid Benzyl propionate Sodium dehydroacetate Propylene glycol Terpineol Propylene glycol fatty acid ester 1-Perillaldehyde Terpenes Sodium carboxymethylstarch Benzyl alcohol Benzaldehyde Sodium starch phosphate Sodium copper chlorophyllin Benzoyl thiamine disulfide Aromatic alcohols Copper chlorophyll Aromatic aldehydes (except those which d1-a-Tocopherol are generally deemed highly toxic) DL-Tryptophan L-Tryptophan Propyl gallate Nicotinic acid Sodium polyacrylate Nicotinamide L-Lysine L-Aspartate Chlorine dioxide L-Lysine monohydrochloride Carbon dioxide L-Lysine L-Glutamate Linalool Lactic acid Calcium 5'-ribonucleotide Calcium lactate Sodium 5'-ribonucleotide Ferrous lactate Riboflavin (Vitamin B<sub>2</sub>) Sodium lactate Riboflavin tetrabutyrate Nonalactone Potassium norbixin Riboflavin phosphate sodium Sodium norbixin Sulfuric acid **Vanillin** Ammonium sulfate Isobutyl p-hydroxybenzoate Calcium sulfate Ferrous sulfate, exsiccated Isopropyl p-hydroxybenzoate Ethyl p-hydroxybenzoate Ferrous sulfate Sodium sulfate Butyl p-hydroxybenzoate Propyl p-hydroxybenzoate Magnesium sulfate dl-Malic acid Polyisobutylene

## TABLE 15 (cont'd)

## OFFICIAL NAMES OF FOOD ADDITIVES TO BE USED FOR LABELING

Disodium succinate	Sodium dl-tartrate
Choline phosphate	Potassium nitrate
Cholecalciferol (Vitamin D <sub>3</sub> )	Sodium nitrate
Sodium chondroitin sulfate	
Isoamyl acetate	Food red No. 2 (Amaranth)
Ethyl acetate	Food red No. 3 (Erythrosine)
	Food red No. 102 (New Coccine)
Geranyl acetate	Food red No. 104 (Phloxine)
Cyclohexyl acetate	Food red No. 105 (Rose bengale)
Citronellyl acetate	Food red No. 106 (Acid red)
Cinnamyl acetate	Food yellow No. 4 (Tartrazine)
Terpinyl acetate Sodium acetate	Food yellow No. 5 (Sunset yellow FCF)
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Food green No. 3 (Fast green FCF)
Sodium acetate, anhydrous Polyvinyl acetate	Food blue No. 1 (Brilliant blue FCF)
	Food blue No. 2 (Indigo carmine)
Phenylethyl acetate	Dibutyl hydroxy toluene
Butyl acetate	Dibenzoyl thiamine
Benzyl acetate	Dibenzoyl thiamine hydrochloride
1-Menthyl acetate	Sucrose fatty acid ester
Linalyl acetate Saccharin	Silicone resin
Saccharin sodium	Calcium hydroxide
Bleaching powder	Sodium hydroxide
Methyl salicylate	Sodium hydroxide (cristal)
Calcium dihydrogen pyrophosphate	Calcium stearyl lactylate DL-Threonine
Disodium dihydrogen pyrophosphate	L-Threonine
Iron sesquioxide	Calcium carboxymethylcellulose
Hypochlorous acid	Sodium carboxymethylcellulose
Sodium hypochlorite	Sorbitan fatty acid ester
Sodium hyposulfite	D-Sorbitol
Allyl cyclohexylpropionate	Sorbic acid
L-Cystein monohydrochloride	Potassium sorbate
Sodium 5'-cytidilate	Calcium phosphate, monobasic
Citral	Calcium phosphate, dibasic
Citronellal	Calcium phosphate, tribasic
Citronello	Ammonium carbonate
Diphenyl	Potassium carbonate, anhydrous
Fatty acids	Calcium carbonate
Aliphatic higher alcohols	Ammonium bicarbonate
Aliphatic higher aldehydes (except	p-methyl acetophenone
those which are deemed highly	L-Valine
toxic)	Calcium pantothenate
Aliphatic higher hydrocarbons	Sodium pantothenate
(except those which are	L-Histidine monohydrochloride
generally deemed highly	Vitamin A <sub>l</sub> (Axerophthol)
toxic)	Vitamin A <sub>1</sub> fatty acid ester
Oxalic acid	Hydroxycitronellal
Potassium bromate	Hydroxycitronellal dimethylacetal
d-Tartaric acid	Piperonal
dl-Tartaric acid	Piperonyl butoxide
Sodium bicarbonate	Glacial acetic acid
Sodium carbonate	Pyridoxine hydrochloride (Vitamin $B_6$ )
Sodium carbonate, anhydrous	Potassium pyrophosphate

### TABLE 15 (cont'd)

### OFFICIAL NAMES OF FOOD ADDITIVES TO BE USED FOR LABELING

Polyoxyethylene higher aliphatic alcohol Polybutene Potassium polyphosphate Sodium polyphosphate d-Borneol Maltol D-Mannitol A1 um Sulfur dioxide Potassium metabisulfite Potassium metaphosphate Sodium metaphosphate DL-Methionine L-Methionine Methyl N-methylanthranilate Methyl cellulose Methyl B-naphthyl ketone Methyl hesperidin dl-Menthol 1-Menthol Morpholine fatty acid salt Burnt ammonium alum Burnt alum **Eucalyptol** Folic acid Ionone Lauryltrimethylammonium-2, 4, 5-trichlorophenoxide Butyric acid Isoamvl butyrate Ethyl butyrate Cyclohexyl butyrate Butyl butyrate Lactones (except those which are generally deemed highly toxic) Sodium dl-Malate
Phosphoric acid
Ammonium phosphate, monobasic
Potassium phosphate, monobasic
Sodium phosphate, monobasic
Sodium phosphate, monobasic
anhydrous
Ammonium phosphate, dibasic
Potassium phosphate, dibasic
Sodium phosphate, dibasic
Sodium phosphate, dibasic
Sodium phosphate, tribasic
Sodium phosphate, tribasic
Sodium phosphate, tribasic
Sodium phosphate, tribasic, anhydrous

### FOODS AND ADDITIVES DESIGNATED FOR LABELING REQUIREMENT

- 1. Margarine.
- 2. Alcoholic drinks (which contain not less than 1 volume percent of alcohol).
- Soft drinks.
- 4. Hams, sausages and bacons.
- 5. Fish hams, fish sausages and whale bacons.
- 6. Beans which contain cyanic compounds.
- 7. Frozen foods (only the frozen manufactured or processed foods or frozen steaked fish or shucked shellfish (excluding raw oyster) which are being kept in container-packages).
- 8. Ionized irradiated foods.
- 9. Foods which are thermally sterilized under pressure after being packed in hermetically sealed container (foods which are thermally sterilized under pressure after being packed in an airtight container and sealed hermetically. However, soft drinks, meat products, whale-meat products and fishpaste products are excluded).
- 10. Foods specified in the following sub-items which are being kept in container-packages (excluding foods stipulated in preceding items).
  - a. Meats, raw oysters, raw noodles (including cooked noodles), instant noodles, lunches, bread and prepared foods (such as sandwiches, hotdogs and similars), daily dishes, fishpaste products and cakes.
  - b. Processed foods other than those specified in preceding sub-item.
- 11. Additives (synthetic chemical compounds and preparations which contain such synthetic chemical compounds and additives whose standards or requirements have been established in accordance with Article 7, Paragraph 1 of the Law).

#### TABLE 17

#### SPECIALLY DESIGNATED NAMES FOR LABELING

Isothiocyanates
Indol and its derivatives
Ethers
Esters
Ketones
Aliphatic acids
Aliphatic higher alcohols
Aliphatic higher aldehydes
Aliphatic hydrocarbons

Thioalcohols
Thioethers
Terpenes
Phenolethers
Phenols
Furfural and its derivatives
Aromatic alcohols
Aromatic aldehydes
Lactones

#### TABLE 18

#### CLASS NAMES OF FOOD ADDITIVES TO BE USED FOR LABELING

#### Class Name

#### Food Additive

Artificial S	weetner
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or

Synthetic Sweetner

Disodium glycyrrhizinate Trisodium glycyrrhizinate

Saccharin

Saccharin sodium

Synthetic Color

Food red No. 2
Food red No. 3
Food red No. 102
Food red No. 104
Food red No. 105
Food red No. 106
Food yellow No. 4
Food yellow No. 5
Food green No. 3
Food blue No. 1
Food blue No. 2
Iron sesquioxide

Sodium iron chlorophyllin Sodium copper chlorophyllin

Potassium norbixin Sodium norbixin

Synthetic Preservative

Benzoic acid
Sodium benzoate
Sorbic acid
Potassium sorbate
Dehydroacetic acid
Sodium dehydroacetate
Isobutyl p-hydroxybenzoate
Isopropyl p-hydroxybenzoate
Ethyl p-hydroxybenzoate
Butyl p-hydroxybenzoate
Propyl p-hydroxybenzoate
Calcium propionate
Sodium propionate

Synthetic Thickner

Sodium alginate
Propylene glycol alginate
Sodium carboxymethylcellulose
Calcium carboxymethylcellulose
Sodium carboxymethylstarch
Sodium starch Phosphate
Sodium polyacrylate
Methyl cellulose

Antioxidant

Erythorbic acid Sodium erythorbate Guaiac gum

Dibutyl hydroxy toluene

#### TABLE 18 (cont'd)

#### CLASS NAMES OF FOOD ADDITIVES TO BE USED FOR LABELLING

#### Class Name

#### Food Additive

Antioxidant (cont'd)

Nordihydroguaiaretic acid Butyl hydroxy anisol Propyl gallate

Color Fixing Agent

Sodium nitrite

One of the following names should be selected according to the function of use: Synthetic, preservative, bleaching agent, antioxidant. Sodium bisulfite Sodium sulfite Sodium hyposulfite Sulfur dioxide Potassium metabisulfite

Synthetic Bactericides when mainly used to sterilize foods. Bleaching Agent when mainly used to bleach foods.

\*Hydrogen peroxide Calcium hypochlorite Bleaching powder Hypochlorous acid Sodium hypochlorite

Color Fixing Agent when mainly used to fix color of foods. Fermentation Inhibitor when mainly used to prevent fermentation of foods.

Potassium nitrate Sodium nitrate

<sup>\*</sup> According to a decree by the Ministry of Health and Welfare on February 20, 1980, hydrogen peroxide can not be used as a food additive after October 1, 1980.

#### TABLE 19-a

#### MANUFACTURING PROCEDURES OF SALTED HERRING ROE

#### Manufacturing Steps

#### 1. Removal of blood and hardening

The roe is extracted from the fish with sufficient care so as not to damage the product. The roe is then soaked for 2 to 3 days in a 5° Bè saline solution to remove blood and cause hardening. During this procedure, the water is changed several times. The procedure of hardening employs salt sprinkling.

# 2. Bleaching with hydrogen peroxide $(H_2O_2)$ \*

Following the procedures of blood removal and hardening, the roe is soaked in a bleaching solution of 0.5 to 1.0% hydrogen peroxide and 10° to 15° saline solution. The proper quantity of the bleaching solution is about 3 times the quantity of roe. The roe is immediately removed from the solution upon completion of a bleaching cycle of 24 to 48 hours. The roes vary widely in their individual characteristics and are seldom bleached completely in a single cycle. Therefore, following the initial bleaching cycle, the roes which have received incomplete bleaching are hardened again under salt sprinkling and subjected to another bleaching cycle.

#### 3. Washing

In order to remove hydrogen peroxide from the surface of the roe, the roe is washed either in pure water or in a  $5^{\circ}$  Bè saline solution for 2 to 3 hours.

#### 4. Application of enzyme

Approximately 20 to 30kg of roe is soaked in water 2 to 3 times the quantity of the roe containing lg of enzyme (Hydroperoxidase "nagase"). Salinity must be maintained around lo Bè. The enzyme must be dissolved first with pure water in a separate small container. The  $H_2O_2$  concentration would usually drop below 30ppm in lo to lo hours of soaking, although this may vary depending upon the quality of the roe being treated.

#### 5. Washing

Following the application of enzyme, the product is washed thoroughly in salt solution and drained until drip-free.

#### 6. Packaging

The product is sorted into different quality classes and packaged according to the standards prescribed by the Hokkaido Federation of Fishery Cooperatives.

#### TABLE 19-a (cont'd)

# Method to Confirm the Removal of $H_2O_2$ Used as Bleaching Agent $\star$

In order to confirm whether or not the  $H_2O_2$  residue in the product has been reduced to less than 30ppm, the following test is necessary.

#### 1. Preparation of reagent

- a. 2N sulfuric acid solution. Prepare a 1-liter solution by adding 56cc sulfuric acid to 944cc distilled water.
- 0.4% ammonium thiocyanate solution. Prepare a 1-liter solution by adding distilled water to 4-g ammonium thiocyanate.
- c. Ferrous sulfate. Prepare ferrous sulfate powder in a small bottle.

#### Test procedures

- a. Mix equal amounts of solutions (a) and (b) in a test tube.
- b. Take a piece of roe from the middle part (i.e. the thickest section) of the roe, and place it in the test tube. The amount of roe being placed in the tube should be about half the combined weight of solutions (a) and (b). It is convenient to use 2.5g of roe in 5cc of combined solution.
- c. Add 10mg of ferrous sulfate, stir the mixture and leave for about 10 minutes.
- d. Compare the brown coloration of the test solution against the color of the standard 30ppm solution. If the former is darker, the washing cycle must be repeated to bring the  $\rm H_2O_2$  residue below 30ppm.

#### 3. Cautions

- a. The roe which has been used in the above test must be discarded as it has been rendered poisonous by the test chemicals.
- The standard solution is affected by ultraviolet light. It should be kept out of light.
- \* According to a decree by the Ministry of Health and Welfare on February 20, 1980, hydrogen peroxide can not be used as a food additive after October 1, 1980.

#### TABLE 19-b

# QUALITY STANDARDS OF SALTED HERRING ROE (Hokkaido Federation of Fisheries Cooperative Association)

#### Quality

Blue Label

Excellent bleaching. Excellent maturity and hardness. Excellent salt absorption. Excellent drain. Free of frozen, broken or damaged roes.

Red Label

Fair bleaching. Other standards the same as for Blue Label.

Purple Label

Slightly poor bleaching. Other standards the same as for Blue Label.

Yellow Label

Poor bleaching. Inferior to Purple Label in maturity and hardness. Other standards the same as for Blue Label.

#### Color and Sheen

Blue Label

Yellow or light yellow. Clean

Red Label

Yellowish brown, or white as a result of color deterioration. Clean.

Purple Label

Reddish brown. Fairly clean.

Yellow Label

Inferior to Purple Label in color. Unclean.

#### Flavor

Blue Label

Free from impure odor or taste.

Red Label

Same as for Blue Label.

Purple Label

Trace of impure odor or taste.

Yellow Label

Inferior to Purple Label.

#### Shape

Blue Label

Uniform shape.

#### TABLE 19-b (cont'd)

Red Label Fairly uniform shape.

Purple Label Irregular shapes.

Yellow Label Inferior to Purple Label.

#### Size and Weight

Blue Label
Over 7cm in length and 10g in weight.

Red Label
Over 5cm in length.

Purple Label Over 2cm in length.

Yellow Label Less than 2cm in length.

# H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> Residue\*

When  ${\rm H_2O_2}$  has been used as bleaching agent, the  ${\rm H_2O_2}$  residue should be below 30ppm.

Red Label
Same standards as for Blue Label.

Purple Label
Same standards as for Blue Label.

Yellow Label Same standards as for Blue Label.

#### Foreign Matters

Blue Label None.

Red Label None.

Purple Label None.

Yellow Label None.

\* According to a decree by the Ministry of Health and Welfare on February 20, 1980, hydrogen peroxide can not be used as a food additive after October 1, 1980.

#### TABLE 19-b (cont'd)

Note: 1. Frozen, broken or damaged roe may consist of each or all of the following:

Mijukuran: Immature roe, lacking resilience and easy

to crumble.

Tohko: Frozen roe, with broken sacs and roe particles.

Furiko: Coagulated roe particles which have been spawned

out from the fish body.

Awako: Separated roe particles

: Separated roe particles as a result of the

breakage of sacs.

Han-nariko: Semi-mature roe, lacking resilience.

2. In principle, tests for  $\rm H_2O_2$  residue should be performed at a nearby food sanitation department. However, preliminary tests should also be conducted at each processing plant to gain a general idea on the  $\rm H_2O_2$  residue.

1. Size gradings and their corresponding definitions for salted herring roe are as follows:

Size Grading	ze Grading Definition	
Extra Extra Large	Roe length over 14cm, weight over 30g	
Extra Large	Roe length 12 - 14cm, weight over 30g	
Large	Roe length 10 - 12cm, weight over 20g	
Medium	Roe length 8 - 10cm, weight over 15g	
Small	Roe length over 7cm, weight over 10g	
Large, broken	Roe length over 10cm, weight over 20g	
Broken	Roe length over 7cm, weight over 15g	

2. Labeling of Size Grading The manufacturers must display the following labels for size grading on the readily visible part of the package in accordance with the prescribed standards:

Size Grading	Label	Letter Size
Extra Extra Large	LLL	Over 3cm
Extra Large	LL	Over 3cm
Large	L	Over 3cm
Medium	M	Over 3cm
Broken	Broken	Over 3cm
Small	S	Over 3cm

#### TABLE 19-b (cont'd)

3. Labeling of Fish Origin The manufacturers must display the following labels for fish origin on the readily visible part of the package in accordance with the prescribed standards:

Fish Origin	Label	Letter Size
Chinese salted herring Chinese frozen herring Olyutorski herring	田塩田冷	Over 3cm Over 3cm Over 3cm
Alaska, Canadian herring Atsukishi herring	P 厚	Over 3cm <sup>2</sup> / Over 3cm

<sup>1/</sup> Includes catches north of  $52^{\circ}N$ , west of Kamchatka. 2/ Includes Alaska herring and Canadian herring.

#### 4. Overfill

Mature roe: 2%

Semi-mature roe: 3%

5. Labeling requirement by food sanitation codes.
The following labeling requirement, as prescribed by the food sanitation codes, must be strictly observed by all concerned:

Items to be labeled: Product name; plant location;

manufacturer's name; year, month and date of manufacture; declaration of food additives used (i.e. "Contains Synthetic Bacteriocide"

if  $H_2O_2$  was used).

#### Example:

20 Minatomachi, Mombetsu City, Mombetsu County,

Hokkaido

Manufacturer: Kaitaro Umino Manufactured Date: April 20, 1973 Contains Synthetic Bacteriocide

#### TABLE 19-c

#### QUALITY STANDARDS FOR SEMI-MATURE HERRING ROE

Semi-mature herring roe presents the appearance of comb teeth on the roe surface and lacks resilience. The common name is "magaiko".

- 1. Identification
  The semi-mature roe must be sorted and packaged separately from either mature or immature roes.
- 2. Container
  The container should be a brand-new box carrying the same size-grading labels as those for mature roe.
- 3. Packaging Quantities and Overfill Packaging quantities are 2kg, 5kg or 10kg to the case. Overfill should be 3%.
- 4. Size Grading Labeling system for size grading is the same as for mature roe.
- 5. Labeling of Fish Origin
  In order to distinguish semi-mature roe from mature or immature roes,
  a marking (ま) must be placed on the readily visible part of the
  package.

Fish Origin	Label	Letter Size
Chinese herring Olyutorski herring Alaska & Canadian	ナオ	Over 3cm $\frac{1}{2}$ /
herring Atsukishi herring Okizashi herring	アタ沖	Over 3cm Over 3cm Over 3cm

<sup>1</sup>/ Includes frozen and salted Chinese herring. 2/ Includes catches north of  $52^{O}N$  and west of Kamchatka.

# 6. $H_2O_2$ Residue \* The manufacturers must ensure that the products contain less than 30ppm of $H_2O_2$ residue before the products are shipped out.

\* According to a decree by the Ministry of Health and Welfare on February 20, 1980, hydrogen peroxide can not be used as a food additive after October 1, 1980.

#### TABLE 19-d

#### QUALITY STANDARDS FOR IMMATURE HERRING ROE

Immature roe lacks resilience due to the immature nature of the roe.

- Identification
   The immature roe must be sorted and packaged separately from either mature or semi-mature roes.
- 2. Container
  The container should be a brand-new box with the same size-grading labels as those for mature roe.
- 3. Packaging Quantities and Overfill Packaging quantities are 5kg and 10kg. Overfill should be 3%.
- 4. Size Grading Labeling system for size grading is the same as for mature roe.
- 5. Labeling of Fish Origin
  In order to distinguish immature roe from either mature or semimature roes, a marking (名子) must be placed on the readily visible
  part of the package along with the following labels disclosing the
  fish origin.

Fish Origin	Label	Letter Size
Chinese herring Olyutorski herring Alaska & Canadian herring Atsukishi herring Okizashi herring	チオア写	Over $3 \text{cm} \frac{1}{2}$ / Over $3 \text{cm}$ Over $3 \text{cm}$ Over $3 \text{cm}$ Over $3 \text{cm}$

<sup>1/</sup> Includes frozen and salted Chinese herring.

# 6. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> Residue \*

The manufacturers must ensure that the products contain less than 30ppm of  $H_2O_2$  residue before the products are shipped out.

\* According to a decree by the Ministry of Health and Welfare on February 20, 1980, hydrogen peroxide can not be used as a food additive after October 1, 1980.

<sup>2/</sup> Includes catches north of 520N and west of Kamchatka

#### TABLE 19-e

#### PACKAGING STANDARDS FOR SALTED HERRING ROE

- 1. Packaging Quantity
  1kg or 2kg to the case for mature roe; 2kg, 5kg or 10kg to the
  case for semi-mature roe; 5kg or 10kg to the case for immature
  roe. A brand-new box should be used for the package.
- 2. Interior Packaging
  Use 0.44mm polyvinyl sheet with square bottom.
- 3. Exterior Packaging
  - a. Use a carton case with 4 to 5 folding flaps.
  - After packaging, apply 2 horizontal and 1 vertical lashings of Kraft band.
  - c. The vertical lashing of Kraft band should be colored-coded to disclose the product quality, using the following color designations:

Blue Kraft band for blue-label product Red Kraft band for red-label product Purple Kraft band for purple-label product Yellow Kraft band for yellow-label product

- 4. Labeling
  - a. Labeling on side panels: Logo of the fishery cooperative; name of the fishery cooperative; name of the product.
  - b. Labeling on top panel: Location of manufacture; manufacturer's logo; color-coded trade name (colors to correspond to quality color-coding standards).
  - c. Labeling should be applied by offset printing except for colorcoded trade names.

#### TABLE 20-a

# KEY TECHNOLOGY IN THE MANUFACTURING OF SHORE-PROCESSED FROZEN SURIMI (MINCED FISH MEAT)

#### 1. Selection of Raw Fish Material

A fish species or fish having the following properties is most desirable.

- a. White meat
- b. The flesh can be readily separated from skin or bones
- c. High flesh to fish ratio
- d. Low fat content in the flesh

Additional desirable properties include freshness of the fish and the availability of a fairly constant rate of delivery to the processing plant.

#### 2. Selection of Water

The water being used in the processing should preferably be about  $8^{\circ}$  to  $12^{\circ}$ C, and soft water (pH 6.5 - 7.0).

#### 3. Maintenance of Freshness of the Fish After Delivery to the Plant

Apply crushed ice or soak the fish in a water-ice mixture.

#### 4. Sanitation Control of the Plant

- a. Wash hands and shoes at the entrance.
- Encourage cleaning and washing of machinery and equipment at the end of each day.
- c. Wastes being produced in the plant should be placed immediately on an automatic belt conveyer to be removed from the plant.
- d. Following the delivery of the raw fish to the plant, wash the fish immediately to remove coliform organisms.
- e. Residual coliform organisms in the manufactured frozen surimi is sterilized during heat processing of kneaded products.

#### 5. Manufacturing Procedures

The procedures are divided broadly into the salt-free and salted methods. Explained in this memorandum is the method for salt-free product which is being used in 98 percent of surimi production in Japan.

#### 6. Manufacturing Procedures for Salt-free Product

- a. Preparation Remove head and guts either mechanically or manually and wash the fish thoroughly.
- Separate meat mechanically.
- c. Water leaching of fish flesh. This procedure aims at removing water-soluble protein in the fish which is often responsible for denaturation of the fish protein during forzen storage. Change water several times in a leaching tank during this procedure. In order to make up for incomplete leaching or to improve the product quality, emulsifying agents are added in subsequent processes.

#### TABLE 20-a (cont'd)

# KEY TECHNOLOGY IN THE MANUFACTURING OF SHORE-PROCESSED FROZEN SURIMI (MINCED FISH MEAT)

d. Dewatering - Dewater the leached meat with screw press, while keeping the temperature of the meat within  $10^{\circ}$ C.

e. Apply additives - Approximate standard composition of the additives is:

sucrose	4.0%
sorbitol	4.0%
polyphosphate	0.3%
emulsifying agent	0.3%
totaling	8.6%

This mixture is blended in a mixer before applying to the meat. Sucrose and sorbitol are being used for the purpose of preventing denaturation of the protein during frozen storage.

- f. Shaping Fill 10kg of surimi into polyvinyl bag.
- g. Freezing, packaging and storage After freezing the product sufficiently at below -30°C, package each two loke bags into a carton box or thick-walled paper box, and indicate quality standards, manufactured date, and plant name on the box. Store the products in a freezer at about -20°C. Storage life of the product manufactured by the standard procedures is quaranteed for up to about one year.
- h. Shipping Shipping is done in a freezer truck or refrigeration truck using dry ice.

#### TABLE 20-b

#### NEW STANDARDS FOR SHORE-PROCESSED FROZEN SURIMI

Alaska Pollock, special grade:

Sugar 4%; puribesuto TP433 4.6%; puribesuto TP423 0%; moisture 77.00%; Test Standards - product without starch content, resilience standard 350g, folding strength AA.

Alaska Pollock, grade 1:

Sugar 4%; puribesuto TP433 4.6%; puribesuto TP423 0%; moisture 78.00%; Test Standards - product with starch content 3%; resilience standard 330g, folding strength AA.

Alaska Pollock, grade 2:

Sugar 4%; puribesuto TP433 4.6%; puribesuto TP423 0%; moisture 79.5%; Test Standards - product with 5% starch content, resilience standard 300g, folding strength AA.

Alaska Pollock, below grade 2:

Sugar 4%; puribesuto TP433 4.6%; puribesuto TP423 0%; moisture 80.00%; Test Standards - product with 7% starch content, resilience standard 300g, folding strength AA.

Atka Mackerel, grade 1:

Sugar 4%; puribesuto TP433 0%; puribesuto TP423 4.5%; moisture 77.00%; Test Standards - product with 3% starch content, resilience standard 330g, folding strength AA.

Atka Mackerel, grade 2:

Sugar 4%; puribesuto TP433 0%; puribesuto TP423 4.5%; moisture 77.00% Test Standards- product with 5% starch content, resilience standard 300g, folding strength AA.

Blenny (Stichaeus grigorjew), special grade:

Sugar 4%; puribesuto TP433 4.6%; puribesuto TP423 0%; moisture 77.00%; Test Standards - product with no starch content, resilience standard 350g, folding strength AA.

Blenny, grade 1:

Sugar 4%; puribesuto TP433 4.6%; puribesuto TP423 0%; moisture 78.00%; Test Standards - product with 3% starch content, resilience standard 330g, folding strength AA.

- Note 1. When responding to a special order which will not meet the revised standards, the following procedures shall be taken:
  - (1) Obtain approval from the Federation prior to actual production.
  - (2) Display the label "special-order quality standards" on the package.
  - (3) Identify special-order items in the report to the Federation.
- Note 2. Contents of TP additives:
  - (1) TP433 contains D-sorbitol 4%, polyphosphate 0.3%, and other additives 0.3%.
  - (2) TP423 contains D-sorbitol 4%, polyphosphate 0.2%, and other additives 0.3%.

#### TABLE 20-C

#### STANDARDS OF QUALITY TESTS FOR FROZEN SURIMI

#### Frozen Surimi Tests

#### Moisture Content Measurement:

Test sample 5 - 10g; use infrared moisture gauge (when an air bath is being used, thaw about 200g middle-portion of surimi wrapped in a vinyl bag in a refrigerator, use about 5g for the test.)

#### pH Measurement:

Test sample 10g; add water 10 parts in weight; mince and stir in a blender; measure pH in a pH meter.

#### Whiteness and Clarity:

Measure as needed; describe details of measurement conditions.

#### Foreign Substances:

Use conventional procedures; methods to be investigated further.

#### Pressurized Drip Test:

Do as needed.

#### Kamaboko Tests

#### Preparation of Test Samples:

Frozen surimi 100 parts, salt 3 parts, potato starch: make two samples either with and without potato starch; grinding to be completed within 30 minutes consisting of 5 minutes of grinding for surimi, 15 minutes of grinding with salt and 10 minutes of finishing grinding; temperature of sample less than  $10^{\circ}$ C when finished.

#### Casing:

Diameter 48 m/m; finish about 150g for a 20cm piece.

#### Heating Method:

30 - 40 minutes at  $90^{\circ}$ C; a 20-minute heating at  $50^{\circ}$ C also may be tried.

#### Cooling Method:

Rapid cooling in running water and leaving overnight at room temperature; sample temperature should be 20 - 30°C.

#### Resilience Measurement:

Choice of apparatus free; test sample 25 m/m thick; number of test samples 7; measured values - average of 5 samples excluding maximum and minimum values; plunger diameter 5 m/m  $\emptyset$ ; gel strength = W(g) x L(cm), in which W(g) is dent pressure in grams and L(cm) is dent length in cm.

#### Whiteness and Clarity Measurement:

Sample thickness 9 m/m - 25 m/m; measured value - average of 5 samples. Measurement should take place without delay after preparation of test samples.

## TABLE 20-C (cont'd)

Sensory Tests:
 Sample thickness 5 m/m; score 10-point system; test criterion = elasticity:

Score	
10	extremely strong
9	very strong
8	strong
7	fairly strong
6	slightly strong
5	weak
4	almost no elasticity
3	no elasticity
2	slightly crumbly
1	crumbly

## Folding Tests:

Sample thickness 5 m/m; score 5-step system:

# Score

AA	No cracks on folding into quarters
Α	No cracks on folding in half
В	Half cracking on folding in half
С	Completely breaks on folding in half
D	Crumbles upon finger pressure

#### TABLE 21

#### QUALITY STANDARDS FOR SALTED POLLOCK ROE

#### Quality

#### Blue Label

Good maturity. Thorough removal of blood in the blood vessels on the surface of roe sac. Sac fully packed with roe particles. Sufficient salt absorption.

#### Red Label

Fair maturity. Fair removal of blood in the blood vessels on the surface of roe sac. Sac fairly packed with roe particles. Sufficient salt absorption.

#### Purple Label

Slightly tending to be "mizuko". Slightly immature. Roe sac less than full. Sufficient salt absorption.

#### Yellow Label

Yellow Label "jo" (super) is classed below Purple Label in quality, slightly tending to be "mizuko" and slightly immature with much bile attached to roe sac. Yellow Label "nami" (ordinary) is classed below Purple Label in quality, fully mature but deemed to have been partly spawned out. The roe sac stays tight after salt application. Yellow Label "mizu" (water) is immature roe partly spawned out, stays tight after salt application. Yellow Label "kire" (cut) A is broken roe over 5cm in length. Yellow Label "kire" (cut) B is broken roe with length over 2.5cm but less than 5cm.

#### White Label

Kawako, gamuko or barako. Slightly tending to be "murasakiko". Very little content of roe particles. Sufficient salt absorption.

#### Color and Sheen

#### Blue Label

Good color and sheen. No attachment of bile. No attachment of other foreign matters.

#### Red Label

Average color and sheen. Slight attachment of bile. No other attached foreign matters.

#### Purple Label

Slightly poor color and sheen. Attachment of bile not excessive. Slight attachment of other foreign matters.

#### Yellow Label

Poor color and sheen. Slight attachment of other foreign matters.

#### White Label

Color and sheen poorer than yellow label. Large amounts of other attached foreign matters.

#### Flavor

Blue Label

Displays characteristic flavor.

Red Label

Displays characteristic flavor.

Purple Label

Flavor not lost.

Yellow Label

Displays no offensive odor.

White Label

Displays no offensive odor.

#### Shape

Blue Label

Uniform shape, no damaged sac.

Red Label

Uniform shapes, little damage on roe sac; may include roes with sac wounds less than 20% of the roe length, but keeping good shape.

Purple Label

Partially broken (yabureko) or partially cut (kireko) sacs, but keeping good shape. May include cut roes (kireko) as follows:

- a. Those ranked equal to or above Red Label, having sac wounds over 70% of roe length.
- b. Those ranked equal to Purple Label, having sac wounds over 80% of roe length.

Yellow Label

Cut roe (kireko) and broken roe (yabureko).

White Label

Inferior to Yellow Label.

#### Weight

Blue Label

Classification of roe weight:

SS: Over 23g and less than 30g
S: Over 30g and less than 60g
M: Over 60g and less than 110g
L: Over 110g and less than 150g

Red Label

Classification of roe weight:

S: Over 23g and less than 60g M: Over 60g and less than 110g L: Over 110g and less than 190g LL: Over 190g Purple Label

Classification of roe weight:

S: Less than 60g

M: Over 60g and less than 110g L: Over 110g and less than 190g

LL: Over 190g

#### Size

Uniform sizes for Blue, Red and Purple Labels.

#### Amount of Salt

Adequate amount of salt and sufficient drain for all labels.

#### Foreign Matters

No foreign matters for all labels.

#### Note

- "Mizuko" denotes those mature roes which are deemed to have partially spawned out, and which fail to retain tight sac configuration when applied with salt.
- 2) "Murasakiko" denotes those roes which present brownish dark purple color on the roe sac surface.
- 3) "Kawako" denotes those roes which have lost almost all the roe particles inside the sac.
- 4) "Gamuko" denotes those roes which present thick roe sac skins, and which contain either no roe particles inside the sac, or too few particles for recognition.
- 5) "Barako" denotes roes without roe sac.
- 6) "Yabureko" denotes roes with partially damaged or broken sac.
- 7) "Kizuko" denotes roes with partially cut sac.
  - A. The following quality displays should be used:
    - 1. "Kireko" for kireko and yabureko.
    - 2. "Kawako' for kawako.
    - 3. "Gamuko" for gamuko.
    - 4. "Barako" for barako.
    - B. The following package displays should be used:

Weight display for each roe:

- 1. Size SS should be "SS" or " $\xi$ "
- 2. Size S should be "S"
- 3. Size M should be "M"
- 4. Size L should be "L"
- 5. Size LL should be "L" or "L"

#### Yellow Label displays:

- Yellow Label "jo" (1) should be stamped "Jo"
- Yellow Label "nami" (2) should be stamped "nami"
   Yellow Label "mizu" should be stamped "mizu"
   Yellow Label "kire-Jo" should be stamped "kire-Jo"

- Yellow Label "kire-Nami" should be stamped "kire-Nami"
- C. Color coding tapes for weight designation
  - 1. For SS, two strips of blue vinyl tapes in series.
  - 2. For S, one strip of blue vinyl tape.
  - 3. For M, one strip of red vinyl tape.
  - 4. For L, one strip of yellow vinyl tape.
  - 5. For LL, two strips of yellow vinyl tapes in series.

TABLE 22

QUALITY STANDARDS FOR FROZEN SALMON

<u>Grade</u>	Spawning Color	Freshness	Scars and cutting miss
Α	None	Without protruding ribs and flesh must be resilient	None
В	Slight spawning color	Same as A	None
С	Same as A or B	Maximum 10% of protruding ribs and no deformation	Less than two and each smaller than two inches in length
D	Same as A or B	Lower than other grades but no bad odor	More than three, each can be larger than two inches

#### TABLE 23-a

#### IMPORT STANDARDS FOR SUJIKO (SALMON ROE)

#### 1. Definition

The Import Standards hereunder relate to imported Sujiko products produced from fresh eggs of the following fish under clean and hygienic condition.

CHUMS	<b>Oncorhynchus</b>	keta	(WALBAUM)
COHOES	Oncorhynchus	kisutch	(WALBAUM)
PINKS	Oncorhynchus	gorbuscha	(WALBAUM)
SOCKEYES	Oncorhynchus		(WALBAUM)
KINGS	Oncorhynchus	tschawytscha	(WALBAUM)

#### 2. Quality Standards Form

#### Chums and Kings:

The shapes of the roes to be even; any tearing, collapsing or other breakage to the roes or eggs to be limited. The length of the roes to be minimum 18 cm and to weigh minimum 100 grams after removal of the torn, collapsed or damaged parts.

#### Pink, Cohoes, and Sockeyes:

The shapes of the roes to be even; any tearing, collapsing or other breakage to the roes or eggs to be limited. The length of the roes to be minimum 15 cm and to weigh minimum 50 grams after removal of the torn, collapsed or damaged parts.

#### Color

The roes to be of natural color, without any black, yellow or other discoloration and to be clean and free of any dirt.

#### 0dor

The roes to be free of any unusual taste or odor due to deterioration in quality.

#### Salinity

The salinity of the products to be even and moderate.

#### Drying or oxidation

The roes to be virtually free of drying or oxidation.

#### Texture

The roes to be firm in texture.

#### Foreign matter

The roes to be free of any foreign matter.

## TABLE 23-a (cont'd)

#### Frozen or immature eggs

Roes are not to be produced from immature or frozen eggs.

# $N0_2$ radical

The contents of the  $\mathrm{NO}_2$  radical to be less than 0.005 grams per kilograms (5 ppm).

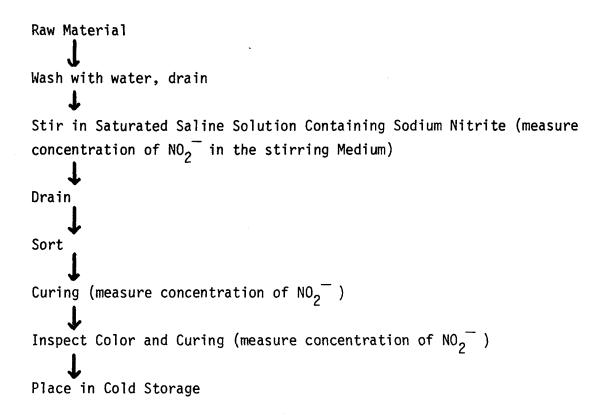
## 3. <u>Inspection Method</u>

The methods of inspection are to be subject to endorsement by the Japan Imported Marine Products Inspection Corporation.

\* Industrial standards

# TABLE 23-b MANUFACTURING PROCEDURES FOR SALMON ROE (SUJIKO)

# FLOW DIAGRAM



## APPLICATION OF SODIUM NITRITE TO SALMON ROE

#### AS COLOR FIXING AGENT

- 1. Prepare the initial stirring medium as follows:
  - a. Prepare 200 liters of saturated saline solution (Bè  $25^{\circ}/15^{\circ}$ C, salometer should indicate 100%).
  - b. Dissolve 20g of  $NaNO_2$  crystal in the above medium to obtain  $NaNO_2$  100 ppm solution (66.7 ppm for  $NO_2$ ).

Note: 1.  $NaNO_2$  crystal absorbs moisture. It should be kept in a dry state in exact weight of 20g until ready for use.

- 2. When using different quantities of saturated saline solution, prorate the amount of  $NaNO_2$  crystal to add to ensure that the resulting solution contains 100 ppm  $NaNO_2$ .
- 3. The material to be placed in the above medium should be 60kg (or 132 lbs.) in weight.
- 2. When the stirring medium is being used more than once, the  ${\rm NaNO}_2^-$  content should be adjusted as follows:

To replace the expended amount of  $NaNO_2^-$  during the first stirring, add 2g of  $NaNO_2^-$  each time the stirring medium is being re-used. The reason is as follows: Upon completion of the stirring cycle, approximately 10 - 20ppm of  $NaNO_2^-$  is known to have been absorbed into sujiko from actual measurements. Since:

$$\frac{NO_2}{NaNO_2} = \frac{46}{69} = \frac{2}{3}$$

an absorption of 10ppm of  $NO_2^-$  would mean the loss of 15ppm of  $NaNO_2^-$  or 0.9g per each 60kg of test material. Likewise, an absorption of 20ppm of  $NO_2^-$  would correspond to 1.8g of  $NaNO_2^-$ . The loss of  $NO_2^-$  in the stirring medium is known to be 5 - 7ppm from actual measurements. Hence, the loss of  $NaNO_2^-$  in a 200 liter medium amounts to 1.5 - 2.1g, or approximately 2g.

#### TABLE 23-c (cont'd)

Note: As in Notes 1 and 2, NaNO<sub>2</sub> crystal should be measured in exact amount under dry conditions.

- 3. Method to measure  $NO_2^-$  concentration in the stirring medium as a check will be described elsewhere. Using this method, one should strive to maintain a consistent level of  $NaNO_2^-$  concentration in all the media being used successively.
- Note 1. The quantity of material and the duration of stirring should be kept constant throughout all the tests.
- Note 2. The required stirring time varies by fish species. Therefore, it is desirable to use the same species for a stirring tank being used repeatedly.
- 4. Checking of Products. Cumulative amount of  $NO_2^-$  added in the stirring medium should equal the amount of  $NO_2^-$  contained in the final products, provided that the above instructions 1 through 3 have been strictly followed. Take random samples of the product (a total of about 40 50 samples) by each fish species and product curing date and display the amount of  $NO_2^-$  contained in the samples in a graph correlating the residual  $NO_2^-$  against curing dates, an  $NO_2^-$  control graph. Using this  $NO_2^-$  control graph, the date in which no single sample would contain more than 3ppm of  $NO_2^-$  may be considered the maturing date. Following this date, only occasional checks of products are necessary. Also, occasional checks on the  $NO_2^-$  concentration in the stirring medium may be made.

#### 5. Cautions

a. When the raw material lacks freshness, the absorption of salt generally increases which in turn causes an increase in the absorption of  ${\rm NaNO}_2$ . Since the absorption of salt and  ${\rm NaNO}_2$  is correlated, when using the raw material with insufficient freshness, it is advisable to decrease the stirring time while increasing the salt content in the medium. If for some reason the stirring time has to

#### TABLE 23-c (cont'd)

- be long, the NaNO<sub>2</sub> content in the stirring medium must be decreased.
- coloration of the finished product would not improve even if a greater than necessary amount of  $NaNO_2^-$  is used in the medium. The larger the amount of  $NaNO_2^-$  absorbed in sujiko, the slower the reduction rate of  $NO_2^-$  during the curing. Lengthening of the curing period or modification of the curing conditions would only contribute to deterioration of the quality of sujiko. Moreover, it would be impossible to reduce the residual  $NO_2^-$  below 5ppm. Bearing in mind the current controversy over the safety of food additives, it is recommended to exercise sufficient caution in the quantity of  $NaNO_2^-$  to be used.

#### TABLE 24

#### IMPORT STANDARDS FOR FROZEN SQUID AND CUTTLEFISH

#### 1. Quality Standards

Form and shape

The form, trimmed or untrimmed, should be good, having no cuts, splits or any other wounds and having had the head and tentacled section, the cuttlebone, the fin and the outer skin removed.

Temperature

The temperature of the squid or cuttlefish should be -18°C.

Foreign substances

No foreign substance should be attached to or mixed with the fish.

Packaging

Packaging material and methods should sufficiently satisfy the quality and the use of the foodstuff in question.

Package content

The package weight should be identical to the stated weight. The squid and cuttlefish should be of the same size and should not be packed with the outer skin, the cuttlebone, the suckers, etc., still attached.

Bloom.

The squid and cuttlefish which are packed should possess their natural bloom, should not be blue or in any other way discolored and should not be smeared with ink.

Smell

The fish should have a good smell, without any bad odor.

Flesh condition

The flesh of the fish should be firm.

Sanitary inspection standards

Squid and cuttlefish should meet the following sanitary standards.

Number of bacteria :

5 million or less per gram

E. coli

Negative

Volatile basic

: 25 miligrams or less per

nitrogen

100 grams

#### 2. Size Grading

The squid or cuttlefish are graded according to the following sizes:

a.	Sepia	
	No.	Weight (Per Tail)
	K1	Over 2kg
	K2	1.00kg to 2.00kg
	K3	0.70kg to 1.00kg
	K4	0.50kg to 0.70kg
	K5	0.25kg to 0.50kg

b. Southeast Asian squid and cuttlefish. No. of tails per kilogram.

1 - 2	13 - 20
3 - 4	21 - 40
5 - 7	41 - 50
8 - 12	51 - 80
	81 or more

Depending on buyer requirements, squid and cuttlefish from Southeast Asia may be graded accordingly:

21 - 40 (per kilogram) 41 - 50 51 - 60 61 - 80

The squid and cuttlefish are marketed according to the above standards. Since squid and cuttlefish prices vary according to such gradings, different sizes should not be packed together.

#### TABLE 25

#### IMPORT STANDARDS FOR SHRIMP

#### 1. Scope

This standard shall apply to frozen\* shrimps (prawns) with shell and frozen headless shrimps (prawns) with shell imported to Japan.

\* Term "frozen" is taken to include such terms as "deep-frozen" and "quick-frozen".

#### 2. Standard

Sum of score points in accordance with the specified scoring standard shall average above 3.0 and shall not be 1.0 in any single instance.

Temperature

The temperature shall be below  $-18^{\circ}\text{C}$  at the internal center of the product.

Net Weight

The net weight of the product shall not be less than the amount labeled.

Packaging materials

Packaging materials shall be hygienic and strong enough to protect the product from any damages by external force.

Labeling

The labeling shall be truthful to, and correctly representative of, the name and nature of the product.

Extraneous substance

There shall be no extraneous substance either on the surface, or inside the product.

Size

The size of shrimps (prawns) shall conform to the size classes labeled.

Examination of the net weight is made as follows:

a. Thawing:

A block of the sample is placed in a water-proof bag. The bag is soaked in flowing or still potable water until individual shrimps (prawns) can be easily separated from the block.

#### b. Weighing:

The bag is emptied on to a sieve with mesh appropriate to the size of the shrimps (prawns). After draining for about 2 minutes, the sieve is weighed. The temperature of the internal center of the product just before and after thawing, and the temperature of the thawing water and the duration of thawing shall be examined.

3.	Sta	ndard for Scoring	Score Points
	App 1.	earance The whole shrimp (prawn), which retains the original form without being split or broken.	r
		The headless shrimp (prawn), which has the head part ("carapace" in technical terms) completely removed, and holds the good form without being split or broken.	
	2.	The whole shrimp (prawn) which retains the fairly good form, or is slightly split or broken.	t
		The headless shrimp (prawn), which has the head part almost completely removed, and holds the fairly good form, or is slightly split or broken.	4-3
		Score points 4 or 3 may be assigned depending upon the degree of the above mentioned defects.	
	3.	The whole shrimp (prawn), which does not retain the good form, or is split or broken.	
		The headless shrimp (prawn), which retains portions of the head unremoved, does not hold the good form, or is split or broken.	2
	4.	The whole shrimp (prawn) which is disfigured conspicuously, or is split or broken conspicuously.	_
		The headless shrimp (prawn), which retains the greater portion of the head unremoved, or is disfigured, split or broken conspicuously.	•
	Co1 1.	The shrimp (prawn), which retains characteristic color	
		color associated with dehydration, or other change of color.	s split or broken conspicuously.  shrimp (prawn), which retains the greater he head unremoved, or is disfigured, ken conspicuously.  brawn), which retains characteristic color cular species, with no sign of grayish white sated with dehydration, or other change of brawn) which retains fairly good original
	2.	The shrimp (prawn) which retains fairly good original color or exhibits slight sign of grayish white color associated with dehydration, or other change of color.	
		Score points 4 or 3 may be assigned depending on the degree of the above mentioned defects.	4-3
	3.	The shrimp (prawn) which does not retain good color, of exhibits sign of grayish white color caused by dehydrator other change of color. The shrimp (prawn) which possesses dark color in the tail part.	

	Score	Points
4.	The shrimp (prawn) which is distinctly discolored red or exhibits conspicuous signs of grayish white caused by dehydration, or other change of color.	1
	vor and Odor The shrimp (prawn) which retains good original flavor is free from odors of hydrogen sulphide, ammonia, trimethylamine odors, or any other that is not charac- teristic of particular species of shrimps (prawns).	5
2.	The shrimp (prawn) which retains fairly good flavor, or is almost free from odors of hydrogen sulphide, ammonia, trimethylamine or any other that is not characteristic of particular species of shrimps (prawns).	4-3
	Score points 4 or 3 may be assigned depending on the degree of the above mentioned defects.	
3.	The shrimp (prawn) which does not retain good flavor, or exhibits odors of hydrogen sulphide, ammonia, trimethylamine or any other that is not characteristic of particular species of shrimps (prawns).	2
4.	The shrimp (prawn) which retains hardly any flavor, or exhibits conspicuous odors of hydrogen sulphide, ammonia, trimethylamine or any other that is not characteristic of particular species of shrimps (prawns).	1
Tis 1.	sue and Texture The shrimp (prawn) whose tissue is reasonably tight and elastic without any sign of sponge-like or other abnormal property that is not characteristic of particular species of shrimps (prawns).	5
2.	The shrimp (prawn) whose tissue is fairly tight and elastic or exhibits slight sign of sponge-like or other abnormal property that is not characteristic of particular species of shrimps (prawns).	4-3
	Score points 4 or 3 may be assigned depending on the degree of the above mentioned defects.	4-3
3.	The shrimp (prawn) whose tissue lacks reasonable or fair tightness and elasticity, or exhibits sign of sponge-like or other abnormal property that is not characteristic of particular species of shrimps (prawns).	2
4.	The shrimp (prawn) whose tissue is very soft, or exhibits conspicuous signs of sponge-like or other abnormal property that is not characteristic of particular species of shrimps (prawns).	1

•		Score	Points
Un11	formity The block of shrimps (prawns) which does not mix any different species or "softshell" caused by exuviation	•	5
2.	The block of shrimps (prawns) which mixes hardly any different species or "softshell" caused by exuviation	•	
	Score points 4 or 3 may be assigned depending upon the mixed degree of the different species or "softshe	11".	4-3
3.	The block of shrimps (prawns) which mixes different species or "softshell" caused by exuviation.		2
4.	The block of shrimps (prawns) which mixes different species or "softshell" caused by exuviation conspicuo	usly.	1
Unde	esirable Substances The block of shrimps (prawns) which is free from splintered shell, spines, legs, or any other undesira substances separated from the body of the shrimps (pr		5
2.	The block of shrimps (prawns) which is fairly free fr splintered shells, spines, legs, or any other undesir substances separated from the body of the shrimps (pr	able	4-3
	Score points 4 or 3 may be assigned depending on the mixed degree of the above mentioned undesirable subst	ances	. •
3.	The block of shrimps (prawns) which contains splinter shells, spines, legs, or any other undesirable substa separated from the body of the shrimps (prawns).		2
4.	The block of shrimps (prawns) which contains splinter shells, spines, legs, or any other undesirable substa separated from the body of the shrimps (prawns), consuously.	nces	1
Glaz			•
1.	The glaze which is clean, and thick and even enough t prevent dehydration.	0	5
2.	The glaze which is clean, and fairly thick and even.		4.0
٠	Score points 4 or 3 may be assigned depending upon th degree of the above mentioned glaze.	e	4-3
3.	The glaze which is clean, but missing in an area on t surface of the block.	he	2
4.	The glaze which is not clean, or is almost entirely missing on the surface of the block.		1

#### 4. Sampling and Inspection

The inspection is conducted in accordance with the scoring standard using random samples drawn at the rates proportional to the size of the lots under inspection, as follows:

Any single sample shall be regarded as defective if it does not meet the quality requirement specified in the Quality Standards (2), and any lot shall be classified as "passed" if defective unit count does not exceed the count specified in the column A (passed) of the following score tables and if there is no major defect (e.g. temperature, labeling, extraneous substance and freshness) in the sample.

Score Table for Judgement (for unit weight over 1 kg)

Size of lot	Count of samples	Count of defective units for judgement		
		A (passed)	B (defective)	
1 - 10	A11	0	1	
11 - 100	10	ĺ	2	
101 - 500	15	1	2	
501 - 1,000	25	2	3	
1,001 - 5,000	35	3	4	
More than 5,001	50	4	5	

# Score Table for Judgement (for unit weight below 1 kg)

Size of lot	Count of samples	Count of defective units for judgement		
		A (passed)	B (defective)	
35 - 1,000	35	3	4	
1,001 - 5,000	50	4	5	
5,001 - 10,000	75	6	7	
10,001 - 20,000	110	8	9	
20,001 - 50,000	150	10	11	
More than 50,001	225	14	15	

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NIKKO TRADING CO., LTD.

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Telex. 246-6231 NTCTYO J

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NIPPON REIZO KABUSHIKI KAISHA

Foreign Trade Division

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Telex. J22450, J25340

Shrimp, Abalone, Cuttlefish, School Whiting, Octopus, etc.

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Shrimp, Octopus, Cuttlefish, Tuna, Salmon Roe

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NICHIRYO, LTD.

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Telex. 242-2136 NICRYO

Cuttlefish or Squid, Shrimp, Herring Roe, Clam, Mackerel-Pike. etc.

NISSHO-IWAI CO., LTD.

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Phone. (03) 588-2111

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Telex. J22233

Prawn, Tuna, Octopus, Cuttlefish, Melurusa

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TOKYO BRANCH

Tokyo Animal & Marine Products Dept.

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Shrimp, Tuna, Fish Roe, Cuttlefish, Octopus, and others

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Telex. J22375

Cuttlefish, Octopus, Herring Roe, Salmon Roe, Capelin, Salmon, Herring, Shrimp, Crab

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Hide, Livestock & Marine

Products Department

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Tokyo 104

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Cable. IKURA TOKYO

Telex. J-22306

Shrimp, Cuttlefish, Salmon, Herring Roe, Salmon Roe, etc.

## Products

OSAKA GODO CO., LTD. TOKYO BRANCH Foreign Trade Section 6-4, 2-chome Nihonbashi-Honcho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 103 Phone. (03) 665-8415 Cable. KUHOJIMURA TOKYO, OSAKA GODO TOKYO Telex. 252-2212 (OG TB J)

Frozen Shrimp

OVERSEA FISHERY DEVELOPMENT LTD.

252-4377 (OG TB J)

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2-5, 1-chome Kaigan, Minato-ku,

Tokyo 105 Phone. (03) 431-9589 Cable. ASSISTANTENTER Telex. 2423729 ASSIST J Shrimp, Octopus, Cuttlefish

SAIKI SHOJI CO., LTD. Hibiya Park Bldg., 8-1, 1-chome Yuraku-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100 Phone. (03) 271-9636 Cable. CANSAIKI Telex. CANSAIKI J26123

Shrimp, Abalone, Salmon, Herring Roe, other fish

SHIBAMOTO & CO., LTD. Import Section 1-12, 1-chome Minato, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 104 Phone. (03) 553-1111, 552-4231 Cable SIBASTECO TOKYO Telex. J22512 SIBAMOTO TOKYO

Shrimp, Cuttlefish, Octopus, Salmon, and Herring Roe

SUMITOMO SHOJI KAISHA, LTD. Marine Products Section No. 2 Nishikicho Bldg., 24-1, 3-chome Kandanishiki-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100 Phone. (03) 296-3853/61 Cable. SUMITSHOJI TOKYO Telex. J22202, J22203, SUMITOMO J22202

Frozen Shrimp, Herring Roe, Salmon Roe, Tuna

TAIYO GYOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA (Taiyo Fishery Co., Ltd.) Foreign Trade Department New Marunouchi Bldg., 5-1, 1-chome Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100 Phone. (03) 216-0811 Cable. OCEANFISH TOKYO Telex. J22278, J24335, J26846

Shrimp, Tuna, Salmon, Crab, Cuttlefish, Octopus, Herring Roe, Salmon Roe, etc.

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TAKAEI TRADING CO., LTD. 22-4, 6-chome, Tsukiji, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 104 Phone. (03) 542-4791 Cable. TAKAEISHOTEN Telex. 252-3736

Tuna, Salmon, Red Snapper and other frozen fish

TOKYO COMMERCIAL CO., LTD.
Import Section
Playguide Bldg., 6-4, 2-chome Ginza,
Chuo-ku, Tokyo 104
Phone. (03) 562-2541
Cable. TOCOMCO TOKYO
Telex. 252-2432

Frozen Tuna and Tunalike Fish, Shrimp, Prawn and Lobster, Cuttlefish, Octopus, Abalone

TOKYO MARUICHI SHOJI CO., LTD. 16-9, 2-chome Uchikanda, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101 Phone. (03) 256-1111 Cable. MARUICHISHOJI TOKYO Telex. J22427

Frozen Prawn, Frozen Cuttlefish, Octopus and other frozen fishes and Salted Herring Roe, Salted Salmon Roe and other Salted or Dried fish or fish products

TOSHOKU, LTD.
Marine Products Department
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Chuo-ku, Tokyo 103
Phone. (03) 244-2469, 2472
Cable. TOSEOKU LTD. TOKYO
Telex. 2223311-2223315

Frozen Tuna, Shrimp, Salmon, Octopus, Cuttlefish

TOYO MENKA KAISHA, LTD.

Marine Products Department
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Uchisaiwai-cho, Chiyoda-ku,
Tokyo 100
Phone. (03) 506-3462, 3411, 3391
Cable. TOYOMENKA TOKYO
Telex. J22421, J22548, J22332

Shrimp, Cuttlefish, Octopus, Herring Roe, Salmon Roe, etc.

TOYO SUISAN KAISHA, LTD.
Fish Business Department
13-40, 2-chome Kohnan, Minato-ku,
Tokyo 108
Phone. (03) 471-5127
Cable. MARUTOFISH TOKYO
Telex. J28606, (242) 2301

Salmon Roe, Herring Roe, Tanner Crab, Shrimp, Eel, Wakame, Bottom fish, Salmon

TOYODA TSUSHO KAISHA, LTD.
Foodstuff Section
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Phone. (03) 277-2765
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Telex. J22827

Shrimp, Frozen Squidfish, Living Akagai, Living Crab, Seasoned Cuttlefish

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WAKO TRADING CORPORATION Dai-ichi Bldg., 10-4,

2-chome Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku,

Tokyo 103 Phone. (03) 271-5421 Cable. YAOHANGROUP Telex. 2226978 YAOHAN J Frozen Shrimp, Salmon, Salmon Roe, Herring Roe

K.K. WASHINGTON FISH (Washington Fish, Inc.)

Ikeda Bldg., 5-5, 4-chome Tsukiji, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 104

Phone. (03) 542-9301 Cable. WAFIOYCO Telex. J24234

Shrimp, Tuna, Salmon Roe, Squid, other fish

WILBUR-ELLIS CO., (JAPAN) LTD. Foodstuff Department Sanshin Bldg., 4-1, 1-chome Yuraku-cho, Chiyado-ku,

Tokyo 100 Phone. (03) 591-3221 Cable. WILBURELL TOKYO Telex. J22257 WECO

Lobster, Shrimp, Fishes

YOKOHAMA REITO K.K. 1-7, 1-chome Moriya-cho, Kanagewa-ku, Yokohama 221 Phone. (045) 461-6431 Telex. 3822-219

Shrimp, Cuttlefish, Sillago, Shellfish

YUASA TRADING CO., LTD. No. 25 Kowa Bldg., 8-7, Sanban-cho, Shrimp, Octopus, Cuttlefish Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102 Phone. (03) 265-4411 Cable. YUASA TOKYO Telex. J22401